

ORDINANCES
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Asssembled in
PARLIAMENT:
For the Leavying of Moneys by way
O F
EXCISE
AND
NEW-IMPOST.

O*rd*ered by the COMMONS in PARLIAMENT *assem-*
bled, That this Ordinance be forthwith Printed and Published.

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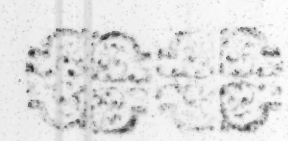
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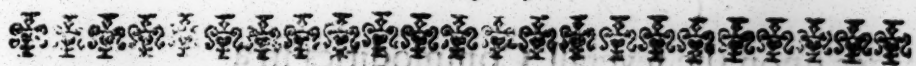
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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for the speedy Raising and Levying of Moneys by way of Charge and New-Impost, upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule annexed.

SEPT. 11. 1643.



He Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament taking into their serious consideration the great necessity of providing present supply for the preservation of this Kingdome, our Religion, Laws and Liberties from utter ruine and destruction, by the restlesse and cruell Designs, Practises and Treacheries of Papists and Malignant persons; and for that many great Levies have been already made for the purpose aforesaid, which the well-affected of the Kingdome have willingly borne, and the Malignants have endeavoured by all cunning ways to evade: By reason whereof, the said Lords and Commons hold it fit that some constant and indifferent way should be had and established for the Levying of Moneys for the future maintenance of the Parliament-Forces, and other great Affairs of the Common-wealth, whereby the Malignants and Neutrals may be compelled to pay their proportionable parts of the said Charges, and the Subject in generall be rated and taxed with as much ease and indifferency as may be. For which purpose, an Ordinance was lately made by the said Lords and Commons, for setting of a Charge or New-Impost upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule thereunto annexed specified. Now for the better and more speedy advancement of this Worke, and the more easie payment of the said Charge, and for other weighty considerations, the said Lords and Commons have thought fit to alter the said former Rates, and to impose other

Former Ex-
cise repealed.Rates of Ex-
cise imposed.

and lower Charges upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule hereunto annexed expressed, then were imposed by the said former Ordinance : and do therefore Ordain, That the said former Ordinance and every matter therein contained, be hereby annulled and repealed, and not to be put in execution in all or any part thereof, by any person or persons whatsoever ; but that this present Ordinance doe take effect, and be observed by all and every person and persons, as if the said former Ordinance had not been made. And the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Ordaine and Declare, That the severall Rates and Charges in the Schedule hereunto annexed contained, shall be set and laid, and are hereby set, laid and imposed upon all and every the Commodities within this Realme, the Dominion of Wael, and Towne of Berwick, over and above all Customes and other Duties due and payable for the same.

THE SCHEDULE.

IN this Schedule are contained the Excise & New-Impost by this Ordinance set and imposed upon the severall Commodities herein mentioned.

Tobacco.

l. s. d.

Tobacco not
of English
Plantations.

Or every pound of Tobacco which is not of the English Plantations, as well already imported, and remaining in the hands of the Merchant or importer, as to be imported, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Two shillings.

00:02:00

Tobacco of
English Plan-
tations.

For every pound of Tobacco of the English Plantations, as well imported, and remaining in the hands of the Merchant or Importer, as to be imported, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Four pence.

00:00:04

For

For all Tobacco now remaining in the hands of the Ingrosser or Seller thereof, by whole sale, to be paid by the said Ingrosser or Seller upon sale thereof, the like respective Rates, as aforesaid.

Tobacco in
the hands of
Ingrosser.

Wines.

For every Tun of Wine already imported or to be imported, to be paid from the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, Five pounds. —————

l. s. d.
05:00:00

Wine.

For every Tun of Wine bought for private use, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, Five pound. —————

05:00:00

Wine for
private use.

Which Rates so to be paid by the Retailers of Wine shall be allowed them upon the Sale thereof in the price.

Rates of wine
to be allowed
the Retailer
in the price.

And for all Wines now remaining in the Vintners or retailers hands, they shall pay onely halfe Excise, the same to be allowed them in the price thereof upon the sale.

Wines in Re-
tailers hands.

And for all Wines remaining in the hands of the Cooper or other Trader in Wine, they shall pay the whole Excise, the same to be allowed them in the price upon the sale thereof.

Wines in
Coopers or o-
ther Traders
hands.

Strong Waters.

For all Strong waters and *Aqua vite* imported, or to be imported, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, after the Rate of eight pence the Gallon. —————

00:00:08

Strong waters
imported.

For all Strong waters and *Aqua vite* made or Distilled within this Realme, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick, the like Rate to be paid by the Maker or Distiller thereof.

Strong water
native.

For

Beer and Ale.

Beer and Ale strong for sale

For every Barrell of Beer or Ale of eight shillings the Barrell and upwards sold, to be paid by the Brewer and Maker thereof, and to be allowed him in the price thereof, Two shillings. —————

l. s. d.
00:02:00

Beer and Ale strong for private House-keepers.

For every Barrell of Beer or Ale of eight shillings the Barrell, and upwards, which any House-keeper Breweth for his owne spending, to be paid by every such House-keeper, Twelve pence. —————

00:01:00

Small Beer for Sale.

For every Barrell of six shillings Beer, or above, four shillings the Barrell, sold, to be paid by the Brewer or Maker thereof, and to be allowed him in the price, Six pence. —————

00:00:06

Small Beer for private House-keepers

And the like Rate to be paid by all others who Brew the like Beer for their owne spending.

Perry and Cyder.

Perry and Cyder for sale.

For every Hoghead of Perry or Cyder, sold, to be paid by the first Retailer thereof, and so after the same Rate for a Barrell, or any measure above a Barrell, Two Shillings. —————

00:02:00

Perry & Cyder for private use.

For every Hoghead of Perry or Cyder bought for private use, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, twelve pence. —————

00:01:00

Perry and Cyder for private House-keepers.

For every Hoghead of Perry or Cyder, which any House-keeper maketh for his owne spending, to be paid by every such House-keeper, Twelve pence. —————

00:01:00

Beer, Ale, Perry, Cyder in Retailers hands.

Provided, That for all Beer or Ale, Perry, or Cyder now remaining in the hands of any Inn-holders, or other Retailers thereof, they shall onely pay the halfe Excise.

Beer, Ale, Perry, Cyder, for fishing at Sea to pay no Excise.

And for all Beer or Ale, Perry or Cyder to be used for fishing at Sea, no Excise to be paid.

For

Grocery.

l. s. d.

Grocery im-
ported.

For all Grocery Ware imported, or to be imported,
for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so pro-
portionably for a greater or lesser value, to be paid by
the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer,
Twelve pence. ————— } 00:01:00

*Druggs.*Drugs impor-
ted.

Item, for all sorts of Druggs imported or to be im-
ported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so
after that rate for a greater or lesser value, to be paid by
the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer,
Twelve pence. ————— } 00:01:00

*Mercery.*Mercery im-
ported.

For all sorts of Mercery-wares imported, or to be im-
ported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so
proportionably for a greater or lesser value, to be paid
by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Import-
ter, Twelve pence. ————— } 00:01:00

*Silks imported.*Raw Silks
imported.

For all Raw-silks imported or to be imported for
every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportio-
nably for a greater or lesser value, Six pence. ————— } 00:00:06

Silk in Gum
imported.

For other Silk in the Gum, ready thrown, imported
or to be imported, for every twenty shillings value there-
of, and so proportionably, Nine pence. ————— } 00:00:09

Silks dyed
imported.

For all other Silks Dyed, imported, or to be impor-
ted, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so pro-
portionably, the said severall Rates for Silks, to be paid
by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Im-
porter, Twelve pence. ————— } 00:01:00

For

Linnen Drapery.

Linnen Drapery imported.

For all sorts of Linnen, both fine and course, imported, or to be imported; for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. —————

l. s. d.
00: 01: 00

Haberdashery.

Haberdashery imported.

For all sorts of Haberdashery-ware imported, or to be imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. —————

00: 01: 00

Upholstery.

Upholstry imported.

For all sorts of Upholstery-ware imported, and to be imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof and so proportionably to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. —————

00: 01: 00

Saltry.

Saltry imported.

For all sorts of Saltry-wares imported, or to be imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Six pence. —————

00: 00: 06

Sope.

Sope Inland.

For all Sope made within the Realm, Dominion of *Wales*, or Towne of *Berwick*, for every Firkin of the best sort, Ten pence; and for every Firkin of the second sort, Nine pence; and for every Firkin of the worst sort, Eight pence; and so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity, to be paid by the Maker thereof. —————

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00: 00: 09
00: 00: 08

Sope imported.

For all Sope imported or to be imported, for every Twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Eighteen pence. —————

00: 01: 06

For

Drapery New and Old.

For all sorts of Woollen-Cloth, and other Commodities made of, or mixt with Wool, made or spent within this Realm, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Towne of *Berwick*, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first buyer thereof, Six pence. 1. D. S.
00:00:06

Drapery Inland.

Paper.

For all Paper bought of the Merchant, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably to be paid by the first buyer thereof, from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. 00:01:00

Paper Imported.

Skins and Leather.

For all Skins and Leather, imported, or to be imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. 09:01:00

Skins, Leather Imported.

Glass-men.

For all Glasses and Earthen-ware, imported, or to be Imported, for every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, Twelve pence. 00:01:00

Glasses, earthen ware imported.

All which Rates to be paid for any Forraigne Commodities Imported, shall be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer, or from the Broker who useth to deal between the Merchant and the Shop-keeper, and for all the Commodities hereby charged with the Excise in manner aforesaid, which shall be sold or delivered at a price.

Provided that this Ordinance shall not extend to any the Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, which are already bought from the Merchant or

B Im-

Commodities in the Retailers hands not to pay except particularly expressed in this Schedule.

Importer thereof, by any person or persons who hath bought the same to sell againe, or spend, except it be otherwise particularly exprest in the said Schedule,

Commodities
for private
use to pay.

II. And be it Ordained, That every person, or persons who hath Imported, or shall Import any the Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, for his own private use or spending, or for any other purpose then to sell again, shall pay the rates and charges hereby set and imposed upon the same commodities.

Commodities
imported and
after export-
ed, the Excise
to be repaid.

III. Item, for all Commodities here rated, which are first Imported, and after exported beyond the Sea, the Excise thereof being paid, and due proof thereof made by Oath of the party or witness; which Oath the said Commissioners, or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint under their Hands and Seales, shall have power to administer, the same shall be repaid, and the said Commissioners and their Deputies shall have power to repay the same accordingly; Provided, that if any Merchant or other buyer of any Clothes, or other Woollen Commodities made within this Realm, the Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick shall buy the same to transport beyond the Seas, and shall accordingly Transport the same, then no Excise thereof to be paid.

Inland cloths
&c. bought
for transpor-
tation to pay
no Excise.

Excise Office
in London
erected.

Eight Com-
missioners
appointed.
Commis-
sioners to chuse
one or more
Treasurers of
themselves.

Commis-
sioners to chuse
Officers for
whom they
are answer-
able.

IV. And for the better levying the Monyes hereby to be Raised; Be it Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That an Office be from henceforth erected in the City of London, called, *The Office of Excise or New-Impest*; whereof there shall be Eight Commissioners to governe the same, who are hereby appointed and nominated; And the said Commissioners, or the Survivors of them, or such as shall be hereafter appoinred, or the greater part of them, shall have power, and are hereby authorized from time to time to choose a Treasurer, or Treasurers, being one or more, of themselves; and also shall choose Registers, Collectors, Clerkes, and other subordinate Officers, for whom they shall be answerable

swerable,) whom the said Commissioners or the greater part of them, may, and shall from time to time, and have hereby power to displace, and to place others in their rooms, and to allow them such severall yearly wages out of the Receipts of the said Office, for their pains and service therein, as the said Commissioners or the greater part of them shall think fit and reasonable, and as shall be approved of, and allowed by both Houses of Parliament.

Commis. to displace Officers.
To allow them Sillaries to be approved by the Parliament.

V. And it is further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the Eight Commissioners herein noted, shall be, and are hereby nominated and appointed to be Governors of the said Office, Viz. *John Towse, Esq;* Alderman of the City of *London*, *Jo. Langham, Esq;* and one of the Sheriffs of the City of *London*; *Thomas Foot, Esq;* Alderman of the City of *London*; *Jo. Kendrick, Esq;* Alderman of the City of *London*; *Tho. Cullum, Esq;* Alderman of the City of *London*; *Simon Edmonds, John Lamot, and Edward Claxton*, Citizens of *London*.

Commis. named

VI. And it is further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the Commissioners hereby, or hereafter to be appointed Governours of the said Office, and such Treasurer or Treasurers, as shall be by them chosen as aforesaid, shall respectively before they enter upon the said Office, take a solemn Oath before the Speaker of the House of Peers, or the Speaker of the House of Commons for the time being, for the due execution of their places; and every of the said Speakers shall have power hereby to administer the said Oath.

Commis. to take an Oath before the Speaker.

VII. And it is hereby Ordained, That all parts of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, with the severall Suburbs thereof, and all other places within ten miles thereof, or thereabouts, which shall be thought fit by the said Commissioners, shall be subject to the Rule and Government of the said Office.

London, Westminster, & 10. miles compass subject to the Office.

VIII. And that the like Office and Offices, and so many of them, and such and so many others subordinate Commissioners shall be erected and appointed in all or any the Counties of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Towne of *Berwick*, and in all such Cities and places thereof, as the said Eight Commissioners, or the Survivors of them, or major part of them, or such other as shall be appointed chief Commissioners, or the major part of them for the time being shall appoint, for whom the said chiefe Commissioners shall be answerable. And the said subordinate

Officers to be appointed in the Counties by the Commissioners & Sub-Commis. for whom they are answerable.

Sub-Com-
missioners to
take Oath be-
fore the Spea-
ker or Com-
missioners.

Sub-Com-
missioners Of-
ficers Salary
to be appoin-
ted by the
Commis-
sioners with al-
lowance of
the Parl.

The Commis-
sioners to give their
accounts
Quarterly to
the Auditors.

Falconbridge
appointed
Auditor.

The Commis-
sioners to pay
no money but
by Ordinance
of Parl. unles
the allowan-
ces to the
Commis-
sioners, Quarter-
ly wages, to
Officers rents,
&c.

To be allow-
ed by Parl.
The Commis-
sioners may
make a De-
puty for
whom they
will be answer-
able.

Commissioners shall take the like Oath respectively before the Speaker of either House of Parliament, or such person or persons as the said Speaker shall appoint under his hand and Seal, or before the said chief Commissioners, or such other person or persons as they, or the major part of them, under their hands and Seals shall appoint, which said severall Speakers, Commissioners and other persons so by them authorized, shall have power to minister the said Oath.

IX. And the said subordinate Commissioners, and other inferior Officers which shall be employed by the said chief Commissioners, shall have for their severall pains in and about the said business, such reasonable sum and sums of money allowed them, as the said chief Commissioners or the major part of them for the time being shall think fit and appoint, with the allowance of both Houses of Parl.

X. Item, that the said severall and respective Com. shall quarterly make their accounts of all their receipts and disbursements at the said Office in *Lon.* unto one or more Auditor or Auditors to be appointed by the said Houses to receive the same; which said Auditor or Auditors shall take the like Oath for the due execution of their duties, and in such manner as is hereby appointed for the said Com. and shall make and keep a duplicate or counter-part of all accounts and entries in the said severall Offices, the same to be presented by the said Auditor or Auditors to the said Houses, when and as often as it is required: And *Falconbridge* of the City of *Westm.* Gentleman, is hereby nominated and appointed Auditor for the said service.

XI. Item, that the said Commissioners, or any of them, shall not issue out any money, raised, or levied by vertue of this Ordinance, to any person or persons whatsoever, but by Order of both Houses of Parl. to be directed to the said chief Com. or the greater part of them, unlesse it be concerning the payment of the said chief Com. allowances quarterly, and of wages to the said subordinate Com. and other Officers, and of rents due for house-room or rooms where the said Offices shall be kept, or other necessary expences in and about the said Offices, the said severall sums and disbursements to be such as shall be allowed of by both Houses of Parliament: which said Commissioners upon passing of their accounts, shall from time to time be discharged thereof by both Houses of Parl. And that it shall and may be lawfull to, and for every of the said chief Commissioners to make a Deputy for whom he will answer.

XII. Item,

XII. Item that the said Office in all places where it shall be kept, shall be kept upon all week dayes (except the Lords Day) from Eight of the Clock in the Morning, till Twelve at Noone, and from Two of the Clock in the afternoon, till Six in the afternoon, for the Entering and Registring of the names and surnames, as well of the Sellers, Buyers, and Makers of the said severall Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, and the severall quantities and values thereof, and for receiving of all Moneys which shall be due and payable for the Excise, and for other things necessary to be done touching the said businesse, which said Entries shall be made accordingly.

Office to be kept open all days except the Lords day, from 8. to 12. before Noone, from 2. to 6. after-noon.

XIII. That all and every the Merchants and Importers of the said Forraign Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, and of all common Brewers of Ale and Beer, and Distillers of *Aqua vite* and Strong waters, & others chargeable by this Ordinance with the Excise for any the Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, shall weekly cause to be entred into the said respective Offices, a true & perfect list or account of all and every the said commodities respectively, and of the said Ale & Beer, & Strong waters, weekly brewed made or distilled, & shall not deliver any of the said commodities to any of the buyers thereof or other person or persons (except such of the said commodities as shall be by the license of the said chief Commissioners, or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint, be transported beyond Sea) until the same shall be so entred as aforesaid and that no person or persons chargeable with the said Excise, shall sell or dispose of any of the said commodities, without first receiving a Ticket or warrant from the said respective Office, that the Excise or New-Impost due for the same is paid or satisfied: And if any of the Sellers, or any of the said commodities chargeable with the Excise, shall refuse or neglect to make a true entry thereof, according to the last precedent Article, or shall doe any thing contrary thereunto; the same being proved by Oath of two Witnesses before the said respective Commissioners or the major part of them, who all have power hereby to minister the said Oath, or confessed by the party, shall forfeit double the value of the said Goods or Commodities, so by him or them neglected to be Entred, or so delivered, sold, or disposed of contrary to the said Article,

Merchants & others chargeable with Excise to make weekly Entries.

And not to deliver any of those Commodities before entry.

Except such as by license are transported beyond Seas.

Not to sell & dispose any commodities without Ticket.

Upon default upon proofe by two Witnesses.

Or confession of the party to forfeit double the value of the goods.

to

To be levied
by distresse.

Or for de-
fault by im-
prisonment.

Importers
not to land
Goods before
a Bill of En-
try in the Ex-
cise Office.

Upon penalty
of double va-
lue.

The Commis.
out of the
Forfeitures to
give rewards
to Discoverers

Brewers and
others char-
geable with
Excise of na-
tive commo-
dities, not
making true
Entry, to for-
feit double
the value.

Commis. to
punish inor-
dinat Officers.

to the use of the Common-wealth, the same to be levied by the said respective Commissioners or Deputies, or such as they or the major part of them shall appoint by distress and sale of the offenders goods (if they shall not be redeemed within fourteen days) rendering to the party the overplus: and for want of sufficient distresse all and every the said Commissioners or Deputies or the *major* part of them respectively, or such as they shall appoint, shall have power to commit such offenders to Prison, till he pay the said forfeiture.

XIV. That no Merchant, Tradesman, Stranger, Shipmaster, Mariner, or other person or persons Importer of any goods or Merchandize into the Port of *London*, Cinque Ports, or other Port or Creek, or place whatsoever within this Realm, the Dominion of Wales or Town of Berwick, shall land or discharge any goods or commodities upon the shore, before they shall have first given notice hereof to the Officers of Excise for the place, by delivery of a Bill of Entry under his hand specifying the said severall goods or commodities so imported, their quantities, weights and measures respectively, under the penalty in the said next precedent Article contained, and to be levied in like manner.

XV. And be it ordained that it shall or may be lawfull to and for the said respective Commissioners, or the major part of them, out of the forfeitures above mentioned, to give and allow to any person or persons which shall inform them of any abuse committed by any person or persons contrary to this Ordinance, so much money for his and their reward and recompence of his or their pains, as the said Commissioners, or the major part of them shall think fit, the same to be allowed to the said Commissioners upon their accounts.

XVI. That if any common Beer-Brewer, Alehouse-keeper, Cider or Perry-maker, or other person chargeable with the said Excise in the Country, or in any City, Town, or place therein, doe not make a true entry in manner aforesaid, in the said Office appointed, in the Country, City, or place where they dwell, or in such Office erected next to their place of dwelling, and the same be confessed, or proved as aforesaid, then they shall incur the like penalty as aforesaid, the same to be levied and disposed of in such manner as aforesaid.

XVII. That the said chief Com. or the *major* part of them, shall have power to punish all inordinat Officers or other persons belonging to the

the said Offices , which shall be willfully negligent , remiss or refractory in the said service , by fine, not exceeding the double value of their yearly Wages ; the same to be levied and employed in such manner as aforesaid : And shall likewise have power to punish any other Offence, contrary to this Ordinance, (not hereby otherwise provided for) by fine or amercement to be levied and employed in such manner as is appointed for the said other penalties.

By fine not exceeding double yearly wages.

And to punish all other offences by fine.

XVIII. And be it further Ordained , That the Customers or Commissioners for Tonnage and Poundage, shall from time to time , permit and suffer the said respective Commissioners or any of them, or any of their Deputie or Deputies , or such as they shall appoint to search, view, or examine, any Note, Book or Books, belonging to the Custom-houses, or to take copies thereof, or of as much thereof as they please. And that the said Commissioners of Excise, or any of them, or any of the said chief Commissioners Deputies, shall have a place to sit in the Custom-houses, and shall have power by themselves or their Agents to take notes or Copies of all entries of Goods and Merchandizes imported or to be imported from time to time.

Customers to permit the Commissioners or their Deputies to view or copy their Bookes.

And to have a place to sit in the Custom-houses.

To take notes of all entries.

XIX. Item. That the said respective Commissioners of Excise, and Deputies of the said chief Commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, shall have power and authority to call before them any person or persons whom they shall think fit, to informe and testify touching the Premises , and to examine any such person, (other then the party himselfe) upon Oath , for the better discovery of any fraud or guile in the not entring of any the said Commodities, or not payment of the Excise or New-Impost, according to the Tenor of this present Ordinance : which the said Commissioners , or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint under their Hands and Seals, shall have power to administer , and the testimony of two credible Witnesses, shall be sufficient in th at behalf.

Commissioners have power to call and examine witnesses upon Oath.

Testimony of two credible witnesses to be sufficient.

XX Item,

Commissioners
Salary.

XX. Item, That there shall be allowed yearly unto every of the said chief Commissioners of Excise of the time being, for his care and paines in and about the said service, the sum of ~~to be paid him~~ Quarterly to his owne use.

This Ordinance to take
place from
the 11 of Sep-
tember, 1643.

XXI. Item, That this Ordinance shall begin and take effect from the Eleventh day of September, 1643 and from thence to continue for one yeare then next following.

Commissioners to ap-
point Officers to search
Warehouses,
Sellers, &c.

XXII. That the said respective Commissioners, or the major part of them, shall from time to time appoint any Officer or Officers belonging to the said Office, to enter into the Cellars, Shops, Ware houses, Store-houses, or other places of every person or persons that selleth, buyeth or spendeth any of the said Commodities in the said Schedule mentioned, to search and see what quantities of any the said Commodities, every, or any such person hath on his hands, or any other person or persons to his use; and for the preventing of all fraud and abuses that may be used or practiced to avoid the payment of the said Excise and New-Impost.

Justices, Mayors &c. to be
ayding and
assisting.

XXIII. That all Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs, Sheriffes, Constables, and all other Officers be from time to time ayding and assisting to all and every the said respective Commissioners; and other Officers of Excise, and to every of them appointed by this Ordinance, in the execution thereof, and of the Articles therein contained. And that speciall care be taken, as well by the said respective Commissioners, as the said Justices of Peace, and other Officers whom it shall concerne, and every of them; That the Assises of Beer, Ale, Wine, and other things be duely kept and observed, and the abuses therein punished according to the Lawes and Statutes in that behalfe made, as they will answer the contrary to both Houses of Parliament,

And to take
care that the
Assize of
Beer, Ale,
Wine, &c.
be kept.
The Commis-
sioners and o-
ther Officers
have power
to call the
Trained
Bands, &c.

XXIV. That the said Commissioners and other Officers, and every of them appointed by this Ordinance, shall

shall have power to call the Trained Bands, Voluntiers, or other Forces, of, or within any County, City, or Place respectively, to be ayding and assisting to them, to compell obedience to this Ordinance where any resistance shall be made : which said Trained Bands, Voluntiers, and other Forces, and their severall Commanders and other Officers are hereby required and enjoyned to give their aide and assistance accordingly, as oft as need shall require.

Trained Bands and other forces to aid.

which Forces are required to be aiding.

XXV. And be it further Ordained, That as well all and every the said Commissioners, Deputies, Treasurers, Registers, Receivers, Auditors, or other Officers whatsoever, belonging to the said severall Offices, as all and every other person or persons which shall doe any thing in Execution or performance of this present Ordinance, shall be therein from time to time protected and saved harmless, by the power and Authority of both Houses of Parliament.

Commissioners and all others which do any thing in execution of this Ordinance to be indemnified.

An Ordinance and Declaration of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, touching the Salary and allowance to be made to the Commissioners and Auditors for the Excise. Together with the severall Oaths to be taken by them.

Die Luna 18. Septemb. 1643.

VV Hereas an Ordinance was lately made by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for setting of a charge by way of Excise or New-Impost upon the severall Commodities in a Schedule thereunto annexed, contained; In which Ordinance no certaine Salary is expressed for the Commissioners thereby appointed to execute the same.

Be it now Declared and Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that the chiefe Commissioners appointed by the said Ordinance to put the same in Execution, or as many of

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them

Commis-
sioners Salary.

To be allow-
ed quarterly
without fur-
ther warrant.

William Bond,
Thomas Fax-
conbridge Au-
ditors.

them as sh^e all execute the same, sh^e all have for their pains and service therein, six pence in every twenty shillings that shall be raised and paid in to the Treasurer or Treasurers of Excise appointed by the said Ordinance, the same to be allowed them quarterly upon their Accounts, by the said Treasurer or Treasurers, without any further Warrant.

And be it further hereby Ordained, That *William Bond* of *London* Merchant, be appointed an Auditor for the said service, over and besides Master *Thomas Faxconbridge*, who was appointed an Auditor by the said former Ordinance, and to have the like power with him: And that every of the said Auditors shall have for their severall paines and service in that behalfe, the summe of *per annum*, to be allowed them quarterly by the said Treasurer or Treasurers out of their Receipts, without any further Warrant.

Accompt, of
Commis-
sioners after au-
diting by the
Auditors, to
be discharged
by the Parlia-
ment.

And it is hereby Ordained, that the said Commissioners, upon passing of their Accounts before the Auditor or Auditors for the time being, and allowance thereof by the said Houses, shall be discharged of the said Accounts from time to time by both the said Houses.

Commis-
sioners and Au-
ditors to take
an Oath.

And be it further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that the severall Commissioners and Auditors appointed and to be appointed for the said service, shall take the severall Oaths herein prescribed, in such manner as by the said Ordinance is exprest,

The forme of the Oath for the Commissioners.

Commis-
sioners Oath.

YOU shall Swear to be faithfull and true in your place of Commissioner for the Excise, during the time you shall be a Commissioner, according to the Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament in that behalf made. You shall according to your knowledge, execute the same diligently and faithfully, having no private respect to your self in prejudice of the Common-wealth. You shall make and deliver a true Account of all your Receipts and Disbursements to such Auditor or Auditors as is, are, or shall be from time to time appointed by both Houses of Parliament, according to the said Ordinance.

So helpe you God, and the Contents of this Book.

The

The Forme of the Oath for the AUDITORS.

You shall Swear to be faithfull and true in your Office of Auditor for the Excise, during your continuance in the Office, according to the Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament in that behalfe made. You shall take the accounts which shall be made unto you Quarterly by the Commissioners for the Excise, and make true Entries and Duplicates or counter-parts thereof, and shall truly present the same to both Houses of Parliament, as by the said Ordinance is appointed: And in all things diligently and truly execute your Office to the best of your skill and knowledge.

Auditors
Oath.

So help you God, and the Contents of this Book.

And be it Declared and Ordained, That all manner of persons who have bought or sold any Goods or Commodities chargeable with the Excise, since the 11 of this instant September, 1643. or shall buy or sell any such Goods before the execution of this Ordinance, shall within ten dayes next after the twentieth day of this Month (if the said Goods were or shall be bought or sold within the said Cities or Suburbs of *London* or *Westminster*, or ten miles compasse thereof) or if in any other place or places, then within tenne dayes next after the Ereccion of the said Office of Excise, in, or neare such place or places, cause entry thereof to be made in the severall and respective Offices, to which the same shall belong, that so the duty of Excise may be discovered and paid for the same, under pain of forfeiture of double the value of the said Goods or Merchandizes, to be levied in such manner and forme, and to such Uses as by the said Ordinance is appointed for not entry of Goods liable to the Excise.

Time limited
for pay-
ment of Ex-
cise of goods
sold before
this time.

Job. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
Assembled in Parliament, Concerning the Excise and
Rate of Wine.

1 Octobris, 1643.

WHereas by a late Ordinance of both houses of Parliament, for a charge of Excise or New-Impost, to be set upon the Commodities in a Schedule thereunto annexed, contained, for the supply of the great affaires of this Kingdome, whereby it is amongst other things provided, That the Sellers of Wine who are chargeable with the Excise, shall be allowed the same in the price thereof upon the sale. But for that no certaine price is set down in the said Ordinance for Wines to be sold at: Be it now Declared and Ordained by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament, that the Sellers of Wines who shall pay the Excise, shall, or may take for all *Spanish* Wines sold, for every Quart 14*d.* and for all *French* Wines sold, 8*d.* for every Quart, and so proportionably after that rate: which said prices, shall, or may be taken, without incurring the Penalties of any Law or Statute, so as the due Measures and Assises be otherwise kept and observed, as by the Law is provided; and the Wines to be good, wholesome, and Merchantable Wines.

Rates of
Wine, *Spanish*
at 14 *d.* *French*
at 8 *d.* per
Quart.

Alderman
Langham dis-
charged from
being a Com-
missioner.

The Commis-
sioners to
summon Wit-
nesses or In-
formers.

And be it further Declared and Ordained, That Mr. Alderman *Langham*, who was named a Commissioner in the said former Ordinance, in respect of his other great and necessary occasions, shall be wholly discharged of the said service; and the other seven Commissioners shall have full power to Execute the said Ordinance, as if the said Alderman *Langham* had not been named therein. And further, That the respective Commissioners of Excise, or the Major part of them shall have power to call before them any person or persons whom they shall thinke fitting, being subject to the said Ordinance, for any matter touching the same, or that can testifie or informe any thing materiall to the said

said services, and shall have power to grant their Warrants for the bringing in of such persons as shall wilfully refuse or neglect to come before them upon warning, and to punish such persons for their contempt or disobedience in that behalfe, by Fine or Amercement, to be levied and employed, in such manner as is appointed for the other penalties, by the said Ordinances, so as the same do not exceed five pound for any one offence.

For default
of appearance
to be fined,
not exceed-
ing 5*l*.

Job. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.
H. Eysinge Cler. Parl. D. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, concerning all Brewers and Makers of Beer, Ale, Cyder, or Perry, &c.

Die Martis, 17. Octobr. 1643.

FOR further Explanation of the late Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament touching the Excise or New-Impost, upon the severall commodities therein mentioned.

Be it Declared and Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for the better enabling and encouraging of the Brewers and Makers of Beer, Ale, Perry, and Cyder (who are the Parties that are to pay the Excise, as by the said Ordinance is appointed) to make due payment thereof accordingly: That no Beer, Ale, Perry, or Cyder shall be delivered out by the Brewer, or Maker thereof, or any of them, to any Retailer or other Buyer thereof, till the Rate and Price which is by them to be paid, for, and in respect of the Excise, be paid by the Victualler or Retailer thereof, to the Brewer or first seller thereof, on paine, that as well the Retailer or Buyer, as the Brewer or first seller thereof shall forfeit for the first Offence, double the value of every quantity of Beer, Ale, Perry, or Cyder, so delivered out, or received by the party so offending; and
for

No Beer, Ale, Perry, or Cyder, to be delivered to any Retailer till Excise be paid.

On penalty of double the value, as well to Seller and Retailer for the first offence.

For the
Second of-
fence tre-
ble the value,
and be disa-
bled from u-
sing their
Trades.

The rates up-
on the Bar-
rel to be paid
proportiona-
bly for a
greater or les-
ser quantity.

Beer of 4s. to
pay after the
rate of 6s.

Brewers or
Retailers of
Beer, Ale, &c.
to take no
more then
price by Law,
except only
for the Ex-
cise.
Old and New
Draperies Ex-
cise, to be
paid by the
Shop keeper.

for the second offence treble the value thereof, and the party so offending to be disabled from using their said Trades or Professions respectively, for the space of one whole yeer then next ensuing, the said forfeitures to be levied and imployed in such manner, and to such uses as by the said Ordinance is appointed for the penalties therein mentioned. And be it Declared and further Ordained, That the Rates set upon every Barrell of Beer and Ale by the said Ordinance, shall be paid for every greater or lesser quantity, proportionably after the same Rate; And be it also further Ordered and Ordained, That for all Beer of Four shillings the Barrell or under, the Excise shall be paid after the Rate of Six pence for every Barrell, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, under the penalties and Forfeitures in and by the said Ordinance appointed: Provided alwayes and be it Ordained, That no Brewers or Retailers of any Beer, Ale, Perry, or Cider, shall take any more in the Price thereof upon the sale of the same commodities, then according to the usuall Rates and Prices appointed by Law for the same (excepting onely the Rate of the excise) as they will answer their contempts herein to both Houses of Parliament.

And as touching old and new Draperies, it is Declared and Ordained, that the Excise due and payable for the same, shall be paid by the Shopkeeper who buys the same to sell againe.

H. Elsigne Cler. Parl. D. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons

Asssembled in Parliament, whereby all Vintners are required to bring in the money due for the halfe Excise of all Wines remaining in their hands at or before the Eleventh of *September* last.

Die Martis, 7. Octob. 1643.

THe Lords and Commons having been informed, that the Vintners of the Cityes of *London* and *Westminster*, and ten miles compasse, as also throughout the Countrey, have, notwithstanding the favourable provision made for them by severall Ordinances of Excise of the 11 of *September*, neglected and delayed to pay the halfe Excise thereby limitted and appointed to be paid by the said Vintners, for such Wines as were upon their hands at or before the Eleventh of *September* last: It is hereby Ordained by the said Lords and Commons asssembled in Parliament, that if any Vintner shall delay or neglect, without further warning, to bring in all such Summes of money as shall be due for Excise of Wines upon their hands at or before the Eleventh of *September* last, into such Office of Excise under which their habitation is comprehended, within ten dayes after publication hereof within the respective places; that then every such Vintner shall, after expiration of the said ten dayes, be liable to pay the whole Excise for all such Wines as the Merchant and Cooper by the said Ordinance is enjoyned. And in default thereof, by delay or not payment of the whole Excise, every such Vintner shall be proceeded against without delay, by distresse or otherwise, according to the Ordinance of Excise.

Vintners not
paying halfe
their Excise
within ten
dayes after
publishing
hereof, to pay
whole Excise.

And in de-
fault to be
distreyned.

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Additional Articles of the Lords and Commons in Parliament to the Ordinance of Excise.

Die Martis, 28. Novembris, 1643.

No Cocket, Bill of Entry, &c for Ship, Victuall, Merchandize, &c, to passe by the Customes before it be signed by the Officers of the Customes.

The Customers required to concur with the Officers of Excise.

Commissioners of Customs to set out a seat in London for the surveyor of the Excise.

THE Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, finding it necessary to advance the Duty of Excise, and to remove such obstructions as may hinder the same; do Ordaine and Declare, and be it Ordained and Declared by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament, That no Cocket, Bill of Entry, Ballast-Bill, Bill of Store, Transfire, Port-Cocket, Certificate, Bill of sufferance, or other Entry or Warrant whatsoever, for any Ship or Vessell, Victuall, or Provision, Goods or Merchandizes, going out, or coming in, exported or imported, into any the Ports, Havens, or Creeks of this Realme, and Dominion of Wales, be suffered to passe by the Commissioners of the Customes, or their Deputies, or any other his Majesties or their under-Officers, before such Cocket-Bill, Bill of Entrance, Ballast-Bjll, Bill of Store, Transfire, Port-Cocket, Certificate, Bill of sufferance, or other Entry or Warrant whatsoever, be signed or subscribed by such Deputy or other Officer as shall be appointed by the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners, within their respective Bounds and circuits, upon paine of being proceeded against as contemners and eluders of an Ordinance of Parliament. And all such Commissioners of the Customes and Duties of Tunnage and Poundage, their Deputies, and all other His Majesties and their Officers, in all Ports, Havens and Creeks of this Kingdome, and Dominion of Wales, are for the future required from time to time to concur with the said Commissioners in all things which they shall reasonably propound and desire of them for the advance of this service.

And the said Commissioners for the Customes and duties of Tunnage and Poundage for the Ports of London are more particularly required to provide and set out a convenient

nient and capable Seat for the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioners of Excise in the Custome-house of the Port of London. That no unknown person, or others living beyond the Seas, Planters in the *West-Indias*, and *Virginia*, or others who have no certaine habitation in the Town or Port where any Entry of Goods inward shall be made, be permitted to take up their Goods, or to receive any Warrant from the Commissioners of Tunnage and Poundage, or their Deputy-Officers, till the duty of Excise be first paid, or sufficient security given by Bond to the Commissioners of Excise, for the payment thereof, at the time when such Goods or Merchandizes shall be first sold. That the said Commissioners for Customs, Tunnage and Poundage, shall make no such Warrants till the Excise be paid or secured. And that no Shop-keepers or Retailers of Goods whatsoever, entring their Goods, as Merchants or in the names of other Merchants, be permitted to take up his or their Goods, before the duty of Excise be first paid. And that all Goods entred by Retailers or Shop-keepers, since the eleventh of September last, shall pay the Excise due for the same, within ten dayes after the publication of this Ordinance, upon paine of forfeiture of double the value of such Goods, to be levied in such manner as by the Ordinance of Excise is appointed for other penalties. That no Merchant or Importer of any foraign Goods whatsoever, making first Entry thereof in any Port-Town, and afterwards bringing the same by Land carriage to the City of London, be permitted to dispose of such Goods from the Wagons, till first a copy of the first Entry at such Port Town, be delivered to the Officer or Officers of Excise, to the end the Duty of Excise may be paid or secured, upon the like penalty as aforesaid, & to be levied in such manner as aforesaid. Provided and be it further Ordained, That no Fees or Rewards shall be taken or demanded by any person, for any Entries to be made by force or vertue of this Ordinance, on paine of such punishment as shall be inflicted upon the offenders, by both Houses of Parliament, and forfeiture of treble the value of all such Fees or rewards by them so taken or demanded, to be levied as aforesaid.

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H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. C.

No unknown persons, Planters, &c. to take up their Goods till the Excise be paid, or security given for payment at sale.

Commissioners of Customs to make no such Warrants till the Excise be paid, or secured.

No Shop-keepers, &c. entring as Merchants, or Merchants names, to take up Goods before Excise paid.

Retailers to pay Excise of all Goods sold since 11. Sep. within ten days after publication thereof.

Importers making entry at Ports, and after bringing to London, not to receive the Goods before a Copy of the first Entry be delivered to the Office.

No Fees to be taken for making entry

Upon penalty of treble value of such fees and further punishment by Parliament

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
assembled in *PARLIAMENT*
concerning the Excise of Tobacco.

Die Sabbathi, Decemb. 23. 1643.



Orasmuch as the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament have taken notice, That the rate of Four pence lately imposed by Ordinance of the eleventh of September last, upon every pound of Tobacco of the English Plantations byway of Excise, hath something intermitted Trade in that Commoditie.

English Tobacco in the hands of the Merchant or Ingrosser, &c. before the 11 of Sep, to pay 1.d. per pound.

All English Tobacco since imported in those hands to pay 2.d. per pound.

All such Tobacco hereafter imported, to pay 4.d per pound.

To be paid by Ingrosser, or Seller, upon the sale.

Be it therefore Ordained by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, and by authority of the same, for the encouragement and ease as well of the Importer as Ingrosser and Seller of such Tobaccos; that all Tobaccos of the English Plantations imported, and remaining on the hands of the Merchant or Importer, or the Ingrosser or Seller thereof, before the eleventh of September last past, shall pay onely one penny upon every pound: And all such Tobaccos imported since the eleventh of September last, and remaining on the hands, either of the Merchant, Importer, Ingrosser, or Seller thereof, at the day of the date of this Ordinance, shall be liable to, and pay two pence upon every pound: and for all such Tobacco of the English plantations, as shall hereafter from the day of the date hereof be imported into the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Port and Towne of Berwick, shall pay after the rate of four pence upon every pound, according to the former Ordinance dated the 11. of September last, the respective sums of one penny, two pence, and four pence upon every pound, to be paid by the Ingrosser or Seller upon sale thereof, as is therein prescribed; Provided alwayes, that no Person shall have any benefit of the aforesaid Moderation to one Penny and two Pence upon every Pound of Tobacco respectively before mentioned, but such onely as shall within
fourteen

fourteen dayes after the publication of this Ordinance, make his personall appearance at such Office of Excise under which his dwelling place shall be, and there deliver in upon Oath a true and just particular of all Tobacco by him sold since the 11. of September last, upon the time he shall make his appearance; As also at the same time declare upon Oath, and deliver in a like true particular of all Tobaccos, either remaining upon his hands at that time, of such Tobaccos as were upon his hands before the 11 of September, as of such Tobaccos as have been by him imported or bought, and are remaining upon his hands at the time of his appearance; and shall presently, according to the respective Rates of one penny and two pence, pay and clear the Duty of Excise as well for all Tobacco by him sold since the 11. of September last, as for all Tobacco by him imported, and remaining at that time upon his hands as aforesaid, but be proceeded against without favour or pardon, according to the former Ordinance of the 11. of September last. Provided also that no abatement or Allowance shall bee made, under pretence of this Ordinance for any Tobaccos which have already paid Excise, according to the said Ordinance of 11. September last, before the date hereof.

None to have benefit of the moderation, but such as within 14. days after the publication hereof deliver account of his Tobacco sold since 11. Septemb. And a true account of all Tobaccos on his hands at that time and before 11. Sep. and of those imported or bought and in his hands at that time. And pay the respective rates of 1.d. and 2 d. But be proceeded against without favour. No abatement for Tobacco which have already paid Excise.

H. Elsynge, Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in **PARLIAMENT**

Touching the Excise of Flesh, Victualls and Salt.

Die Martis, 9. Januarij, 1643.



He Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament having by an Ordinance dated the 11. of September last, set a rate of Excise and New-Impost upon severall Commodities, as well native as forraign, for the maintenance of the Armies raised in the defence of King and Parliament, & other great affairs of the Common-wealth, amongst which they had speci-

all regard to the Navy for guard of the Seas : And now finding, that through the losse of severall Ports of the Kingdom, and daily decay of Trade, the Navy cannot be sufficiently maintained out of the Revenue of the Customes, as these times of imminent danger doe require ; nor such a convenient Fleet set forth this next Summer, for the guard of the Seas, defence of the Kingdom, and preservation of Trade, without further supply of Moneys to be raised by some equall and indifferent way, as may be most easy to the well-affected Subjects of this Kingdome : Be it therefore Ordained by the Lords and Commons, that from and after the tenth day of this instant January, all the severall sorts and kinds of Fleish-meats, as also all Salt imported or made within this Kingdome, shall pay the severall Rates of Excise or New-Impost hereafter appointed and specified, according as the said Excise is hereby directed to be levied and paid. *Viz,*

Salt Forraign
to pay by the
first Buyer.

That all Forraign Salt imported or to be imported into the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Towne of Berwick, shall pay one penny upon every Gallon, to be paid by the first Buyer of such Salt.

Salt English
and Scotch.

Salt upon
Salt English,
to pay by the
Maker.

Salt upon
Salt Scotch,
to pay by the
first Buyer.

No Salt ex-
pended upon
Fishing to
pay Excise.

That all Salt made within the Kingdomes of England and Scotland, and Dominion of Wales, shall pay one half-penny upon every Gallon : And that all Salt upon Salt, that is made of Salt, within the said Kingdom of England, and Dominion of Wales which hath once paid the Excise, shall pay one farthing upon every Gallon, to be paid by the Maker of al such Salt, before such time as the said Salt shall be put to sale, And that all Salt upon Salt that is made of Salt in the Kingdome of Scotland, which hath once paid the Excise, shall pay one farthing upon every Gallon, to be paid by the first Buyer of such Salt. And that all other Salt upon Salt, imported, or to be imported in the said Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales and Towne of Berwick, shall pay one penny half-penny upon every Gallon, to be paid by the first Buyer of such Salt. Provided always, That no Salt expended upon Fishing shall be liable to this Excise.

That all Beefs, Muttons, Veals, Porks, Lambs, and other Butchers

Butchers Meats, to be killed for provision of Victuals, shall pay one shilling in every Twenty shillings value of the Beast, when he is living.

Butchers.

That all Conies or Rabbets shall pay one half-penny a piece.

Conies or Rabbets.

That all Pigeons shall pay after the rate of one penny for every dozen.

Pigeons.

That all Butchers, or others, who doe kill and sell any Beef, Veale, Mutton, Lamb, Pork, or any other Swines-flesh whatsoever, for the Market or Sale, doe weekly give an account to such Office of Excise under which their dwelling, or other place of residence is; and at that same time, pay the Excise before mentioned, upon forfeiture of double the value of all such Beasts and other Cattle, as by two witnesses or other good proof shall be proved to have been killed at any time, after the tenth day of January, 1643. for which no Excise hath been paid; and further to be restrained from the killing and selling of any Flesh-meat, for one whole year, after such proof as aforesaid.

Butchers to give account weekly to the Office.

And then to pay the Excise upon penalty of double the value, upon proof by two Witnesses.

And restraint of the Trade for a year after proofe.

That all Poulterers and others who make sale of any Rabbets or Pigeons, doe weekly make like account to the Office of Excise under which their habitation and Trading is, of all Rabbets & Pigeons by them sold from time to time and at the same time pay the duty of Excise before appointed in this particular, upon the like penalty respectively, and to be restrained from such Trading and dealing in any kind whatsoever for one whole year after.

Poulterers, &c. to give account weekly.

And then pay Excise upon the like penalty.

That all House-keepers, who for their own spending shall at any time kill any Beefs, Calves, Sheep, Lambs, Porkers, Rabbets or Pigeons, shall weekly pay Excise after the Rate aforesaid, unto such Collector, or Collectors as shall be appointed to that purpose: And all persons who shal refuse or neglect to give a true weekly account either of their killing for sale, or of their owne expence, as aforesaid, shall be liable upon proof of one or two witnesses as before directed, to the fine of treble the value; *Toties quoties*, to be levied by distresse; and in default thereof, unto imprisonment, untill the

Housekeepers that kill Beefs, &c. Rabbets, Pigeons, to pay weekly to the Collector.

All that refuse to give a true weekly account, upon proof of 1. or 2. Witnesses, to forfeit treble the value.

the Excise and penalty be both satisfied.

This Excise appropriated to the Navy, to be issued by order of the Committee of the Navy.

That all Summe and Summes of Money, received by vertue of this Ordinance, upon any Butchers Meat, Rabbets and Pigeons, before mentioned; as also all Salt imported and made in the Land, be appropriated to the maintenance of the Navy, and from time to time issued and paid out according to the Orders of the Committee of the House of Commons for the Navy, which shall be a sufficient discharge to the Commissioners for Excise being signed by the hand of the Chair-man of that Committee for the time being.

Commis: appointed.

Their Salary

And to execute the same

Auditors appointed.

All persons delinquent to this, to be punished according to the Ordinance 11. Sept.

If there be any overplus more then served for the Navy, to be disposed by Order of Parliament. This Ordinance to continue a year.

That *John Towse*, *Thomas Host*, *John Kendrick*, and *Thomas Cullum*, Esquires, Aldermen of the City of London, *Simon Edmonds*, *John Lamot*, and *Edward Claxton* of London, Esq; shall be Commissioners for the receipt of the before mentioned Excise, according as they are already appointed and authorized by Ordinance of the 11. of Septemb. last, for the Receipt of the Excise and New-Impost therein rated and expressed, and receive the like allowance of six pence in every Pound for the Receipt; and shall and may likewise execute all and every thing and things therein prescribed for the better managing of this work, *Mutatis mutandis*, as shall be requisite for the due performance of this Ordinance according to the true intent and meaning thereof: And that *Thomas Pawconbridge* and *William Bond*, Gentlemen, shall be Auditors to execute this Ordinance by the same Rules and Limitations as they are authorized by the former Ordinance of Excise. And all persons who shall seek to elude this Ordinance by concealment or other fraudulent practice, or by non-payment of the Excise as aforesaid, shall be subject to all Fines, Forfeiture, Imprisonment, or other punishment whatsoever, as in the said Ordinance of the 11. of September last is more at large declared and Ordained. Provided, That in case there shall happen to be an overplus of Money arising by vertue of this Ordinance, which shall not be necessary for the support of the Navy; That in such cases the overplus shall not be disposed to any uses but by Order of both Houses of Parliament. Provided, That this Ordinance shall continue in full force for one whole yeare after the date hereof.

H. Elsynge Cler. Parl. D. C.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
assembled in PARLIAMENT:

For the regulating of the Rates on the Cu-
stomes and Excise of Tobacco.

Die Lune, 4. Martij, 1643.



Forasmuch as the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, have taken notice of the Rates, Customes, & Excise laid and imposed on Tobacco of all sorts, to be greater and higher then it will now well bear, in regard of the disturbance of Trade in Forraign parts, and present distractions of this Kingdome: For the regulating whereof, and for the encouragement and ease as well of the Importer, as Ingrosser and Seller of Tobacco.

It is Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That all Tobaccos of the English Plantations imported or remaining in the hands of the Merchant or Importer, or the Ingrosser or Buyer thereof, shall be liable to such Rates for the Excise, and such Rules observed for the same, as are set downe and prescribed in a late Ordinance of the 23. December, 1643. And for all Spanish Tobacco not of the English Plantation, imported and remaining in the hands of any Merchant or Importer, or the Ingrosser or Buyer thereof, at the day of the date of this Ordinance, there shall be paid onely six pence for every pound Excise for the same. Provided alwayes, that no person shall have any benefit of this moderation, but onely such as shall within fourteen dayes after the publication of this Ordinance, make his personall appearance at such Office of Excise under which his dwelling place shall be, and there deliver in a true particular account of all such Spanish Tobaccos not of the English Plantations, as were remaining in his hands at the Date of this Ordinance, and for which the Excise hath not been paid as aforesaid, and shall presently, according to the respective rate of Six pence upon a Pound weight, pay and cleare the said

English Tobacco to be according to the rate of the Ordinance of 23. Decem, 1643.

Spanish Tobacco not of English Plantation in the hands of Merchant. &c. or Buyer at the daer, hereof, to pay 6*d.* per pound.

None to have this benefit, but such as within 14. days deliver his account. & pay the said Excise.

saïd duty of Excise, for all such Tobacco as he had at or before the day of the date hereof remaining in his hands, but be proceeded against without favour or pardon according to the saïd former Ordinance of Excise of the eleventh of September last.

Tobacco having not hitherto paid Customs or Excise, or hereafter to be imported.

The Importer to pay for Spanish, &c. 6.d. per pound Customs for Spanish. 1.s. per pound by the Buyer for Excise.

English Tobacco 1.d. per pound Customs, & 1.d. per pound Excise. No part of Customs or Subsidy paid at importation of Tobacco, to be allowed upon exportation.

This Ordinance to continue for one year.

And it is further Ordained by the saïd Lords and Commons, that for all Tobaccos which have not before this Ordinance paid the Customs and Excise, or shall from the day of the date hereof be imported by any Merchant or others into the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Port and Towne of Berwick, the Importer or Ingrosser thereof shall pay Customs and Excise for the same, as followeth: *viz.* For all Spanish and other Tobacco, not of the English Plantation, the Importer shall pay six pence for every pound weight for Customs, and the Ingrosser or first Buyer one shilling Excise for the same. And for all Tobaccos of the English Plantations, which shall be imported as aforesaid, the Importer shall pay one penny *per* pound Customs, and the Ingrosser or first Buyer two pence *per* pound for Excise of the same, which respective sums of one shilling and two pence, are to be paid by the Ingrosser or Buyer upon sale thereof, as is prescribed in the saïd Ordinance of the eleventh September last.

And lastly, it is Ordered and Ordained by the saïd Lords and Commons, that no part of the Customs or Subsidies paid by the Merchant or other, at the time of the importation of his Tobacco, as is expressed in the second Article in the Book of Rates, shall be allowed by the Commissioners of the Customs, or other Officer or Officers of the severall Customs-Houses to any Merchant or others upon the exportation of any Tobaccos; Any Order or Ordinance heretofore made to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Provided that this Ordinance shall continue in force for the space of one whole year, from the day of the date of this Ordinance and no longer.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.



Die Lune, 8. April. 1644.

**An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
in Parliament assembled, for continu-
ance of the Excise or New-Impost for one
whole yeare longer, to com.**

**mence the eleventh of Sep-
tember next, 1644.**



Hereas the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled have found it necessary to continue the severall Rates and charges of Excise and New-Impost, mentioned and expressed in an Ordinance of both Houses, dated the eleventh of *September* last; Be it hereby ordained by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That the said Ordinance of the eleventh of *September* last, and every clause, sentence, and Article therein contained, and now in force, and the severall Rates of Excise and New-Impost imposed and directed by the said Ordinance, or any other Ordinance or Ordinances concerning the government and ordering of the Excise since made, which at present are in force, shall continue and be received upon all and every the commodities therein mentioned and charged thorowout the Realme of *England*, Dominion of *Wales* and Towne of *Berwick*, for one whole year longer, to commence the eleventh of *September* next ensuing the date hereof.

Ordinance of
11. Sep. 1643.
continued for
one yeare
from 11. Sep.
1644.

And it is further hereby ordained and declared, That *John Towse* Esquire, Alderman of the City of *London*; *Thomas Foot* Esquire, Alderman of the City of *London*; *John Kendrick* Esquire, Alderman of the City of *London*; *Thomas Cullum* Esquire, Alderman of the City of *London*; *Simon Edmonds*, *John Lamot*, and *Edward Claxton* of the said City of *London* Esquires, the present Commissioners of the Excise, shall remaine and continue chiefe Commissioners

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and Governours of the whole Office and Receipts of the Excise and New-Impost, in and throughout the whole Kingdome of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Towne of *Berwick*, and shall and may doe and execute, and cause to be done and executed, all and every the Clauses, Articles, and other thing or things whatsoever, ordained, mentioned and contained in the said Ordinance of the Eleventh of *September* last, or in any other Ordinance or Ordinances concerning the Excise, which at present are in force, in the same manner and forme as they are directed and authorized thereby to do and execute, for and during the said Terme of one yeare longer, to commence from the Eleventh of *September* next following, as aforesaid, with the like allowances as at present, of six pence upon every twenty shillings, raised and levied out of the Receipts of the Excise and New-Impost.

Io. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum
H. Elsing Cler. Parl. D. Com.



An Additionall Ordinance for the Excise or New-Impost.

Die Luna, 8 Julii, 1644.



He Lords and Commons in Parliament, being desirous by all good means to provide for the payment and satisfaction of the publique debts of the Kingdom, which they hope by Gods blessing in convenient time to bring to passe, and earnestly labouring the present satisfaction and payment of such pressing Debts as are due unto severall Handicrafts-men,
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Strangers, and other persons, for Armes and Ammunition, bought and taken up of them for the service of the State, and to severall poore persons, for carriages by Cart and Waggon, for the same use; and for reliefe of wounded and maimed Souldiers that have received their wounds in the service of the Common-wealth, and for the widows and children of such as have lost their lives in the said service; and for other necessary occasions for the defence of the King, Parliament, and Kingdome: Doe hereby Declare, Order and Ordaine, That the severall Rates and Charges hereunder mentioned shall be set and laid, and are hereby set, laid and imposed upon the severall Commodities hereafter expressed, within this Realme, the Dominion of *Wales*, and Towne of *Berwick*, by way of Excise and New-Impost over and above all Customes and other Duties due and payable for the same: *Viz.* Upon all Goods and Merchandizes whatsoever imported (except Bullion, Corn, Victuall, Armes and Ammunition) which have not been hitherto charged with the Duty of Excise and New-Impost, Twelve pence upon every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably for every greater or lesser value, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant, Importer, or Ingrosser. Provided, that for all Commodities here rated, which are first imported, and after exported beyond the Sea, the Excise thereof being paid, and due prooffe thereof made by Oath of the party or witnesses, which Oath the said Commissioners, or the major part of them, or such as they shall appoint under their hands and Seales, shall have power to administer, shall be repaid, and the said Commissioners and their Deputies shall have power to repay the same accordingly; Provided also, that *Hemp, Flax, Towe, Pitch, Wax, Rosen* and *Tallow* imported, be accounted under Saltery wares; and that all *Cotten-wools* imported shall pay onely Six pence upon every pound value, and so after that rate for a greater or lesser value, to be paid by the first buyer, as aforesaid.

And be it further Ordained, that the Goods and Com-

Additional
Excise.

All Goods
imported (ex-
cept Bullion,
Corn, Victual,
Armes and
Ammunition.

To pay by the
first Buyer.

Imported
Commodities
after export-
ed, the Excise
to be repaid,
upon prooffe
by Oath of
the party, or
Witnesses.

*Hemp, Flax,
Towe, Pitch,
Wax, Rosen,
and Tallow,*
to be ac-
counted Sal-
tery.
Cotten-wools
to pay by the
first Buyer.

modities hereafter mentioned, made or growing within this Kingdom, shall pay by way of Excise upon the first sale, and by the first Grover and maker thereof respectively, for every value of twenty shillings, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser value, in such manner as is hereafter limited and appointed. *Viz.*

Native Commodities.
Allum by the Buyer.
Copperas by the Maker.
Monmouth-Caps by the Buyer.
Hats by the Maker.
Hops by the Planters.
Saffron by the Planters.
Starch by the Maker.
Silks & Stuffs mixed, not formerly Excised, and Upholstry, formerly paying Excise by the Buyer.
Tyn by the Buyer.
Woad by the Buyer.
Iron by the Buyer.
Tobaccopipes by the Buyer.

Commissioners and Officers formerly Authoriz'd to Collect, &c. this Excise.

How this Excise to be issued.

Allum English, to be paid by the first Buyer six pence.

Copperas English, to be paid by the Maker, Twelve pence.

Monmouth-Caps of all sorts, to be paid by the first retailing-Buyer, Twelve pence.

Hats of all sorts, to be paid by the first Maker, Twelve pence.

Hops English, to be paid by the Planters, Six pence.

Saffron, to be paid by the Planter, Twelve pence.

Starch, to be paid by the first Maker, Twelve pence.

All manner of Silkes or Stuffs made in the Kingdome, made of, or mixt with Silke, Hair, Wool, or Thread, not formerly paying Excise, as also all Upholstry-ware made in this Kingdome, not formerly paying Excise, to be paid by the first Buyer, Six pence.

Tyn, to be paid by the first Buyer, Twelve pence.

Woad English, to be paid by the first Buyer, Six pence.

Iron made in England, to be paid by the first Buyer, Six pence.

Tobacco pipes of all sorts to be paid by the first Buyer, for every Grosse Four pence.

And the Commissioners and Officers for the Excise appointed by former Ordinances of Parliament, are hereby authorized, enabled and required to use all such good wayes and meanes for the Discovering, Rating, Collecting and securing of the severall Sums of Money herein imposed upon the severall Commodities above mentioned, as they are authorized and enabled to doe in the case of the Excise set upon other Commodities by former Ordinances of both Houses of Parliament.

And be it further Ordered and Ordained that of the Monies so to be raised by this Addition of Excise or New-Impost, as afore said, one third part shall be employed toward the satisfaction of the pressing Debts due to the said severall Tradesmen, Strangers and other persons, and to severall poore

poore persons for carriages by Cart and Wagon, as afore-
 said; and also for the relief of wounded and maimed Soul-
 diers, and for satisfaction of such sums of Money, as are due
 unto, or have been disbursed by Physitians, Apothecaries,
 and Chirurgions, for the cure of them; and for the relief of
 such widows and children as have lost their Husbands and
 Fathers in the service of the Common-wealth, as aforesaid.
 For the second third part, one Moity thereof shall be
 employed towards the maintenance of the Land-Forces in
 the service of the Parliament, and the other Moity for pro-
 vision of Armes and Ammunition for the same. And for the
 other third part, one Moity thereof shall be employed for
 the maintenance of the Navie at Sea, under the Command
 of the Earle of *Warwick* Lord High-Admirall of *England*,
 and the other Moity for provision of Armes, Store and
 Ammunition for the same.

And be it also Ordered & Ordained, that this Ordinance
 shall begin and take effect from the foure and twentieth
 day of *June* 1644. and from thence to continue for one year
 then next following.

To continue
 for a year
 from 24. *June*,
 1644.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

An Ordinance Declaratory of the Lords & Commons assembled in Parliament for the regulating the Excise upon Flesh, viz. *Beeves, Muttons, Veals, Porks, Lambs,* and other Butchers Meat killed for provision of victuals within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, Suburbs and Lines of Communication.

Die Sabbathi, 3. August. 1644.

WHereas by a late Ordinance of Parliament, bearing date the ninth of *January*, 1643. there is a Rate of Excise set upon all *Beeves, Veals, Muttons, Porks, Lambs,* and other Butchers Meat to be killed for provision of Victualls, and the same to be levied according to the value of the Beast when he is living; and all Butchers and others from whom any such Excise should at any time become due, to pay and be accountable for the same weekly.

All Beefs, &c. bought for slaughter in *London, Westminster, Suburbs* and lines of Communication, to pay Excise while alive.

Now the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament finding the many inconveniences that doe and will of necessity arise in levying the same within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, Suburbs of both, and Lines of Communication, by the Rule prescribed by the aforesaid Ordinance, if the Collecting the said Excise should be continued for the future in that way: For prevention whereof, and for the more regular and facile levying the same for the future within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs and Lines of Communication aforesaid; Be it Ordained by the said Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that all *Beefes, Muttons, Veals, Lambs, Porks,* and other Butchers meat (in the aforesaid Ordinance mentioned to be exciseable, from and after the twentieth day of this present *July*) which shall be bought to be killed for slaughter, and provision of Victuall, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, and Lines of Communication, shall be liable to pay, while all such Cattle are yet alive, the said duty of Excise, being one shilling in every twenty shillings value of the Beast living.

All Graiers, &c.

And be it further Ordained, That all Graiers, Butchets, and

and others who from and after the day and yeare aforesaid shall bring any live Beefs, Muttons, Veals, Lambs, Porkes, or other sort of Butchers Ware before specified, either by Land or Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, or Lines of Communication, to be killed for sale or private spending, do and shall at the Ports, and first entrance within the Lines of Communication, make known unto such Officer & Officers as shall be appointed by the Commissioners of Excises to attend such Port or place, the number and nature of the said Cattle, and the names of the right owners of them, which the said Officer shall Register in a book, and deliver unto the person who hath the charge of the said Cattle a Certificate or Ticket of the same.

To make entry at the Ports.

Of the number, nature of the Cattel.

Names of the right owners, To be Registered, and a Ticket given for the same.

And be it further Ordained, That no Grasier, Butcher or other person whatsoever, who, from and after the day and yeare aforesaid, shall bring any live Beeves, Muttons, Veales, Lambes, Porkes, or other Butchers Ware before specified, either by Land or Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs and Lines of Communication, do or shall presume to put any such beast to sale in any place within the Line of Communication, but in the open and usuall place and Market in *Smithfield*, upon paine of Forfeiture of such beast, or the value thereof.

No Grasier, &c. put any beast to sale but in *Smithfield* Market.

Upon forfeiture of the beast or value.

And that every such Grasier or other who shall put to sale any kinde of cattle exciseable by this Ordinance, within the said Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, or Line of Communication, and within the time aforesaid, do and shall give notice thereof, together with the true price of such Cattle, unto the Officer or Deputy appointed by the Commissioners of Excise to attend at some knowne place in *Smithfield*, to register all such Cattle, and to receive the Excise due for them, and shall not make delivery of any cattle so sold, untill the Excise be duly paid, and a Ticket obtained to testifie the same, upon forfeiture of treble the value of the Excise of such Cattle; and that every Butcher who shall buy such Cattle shall duly pay the Excise as aforesaid, before he kill the same, upon paine of forfeiture of the said Cattle, or the value of it.

Grasier, &c. to make entry of the Beasts sold, at the Office in *Smithfield*.

And not to deliver any Cattle till Excise paid, and Ticket taken out, upon forfeiture of Treble value.

Butcher to pay before he kill upon forfeiture of the cattle or value.

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Butcher or other that bring live Cattle for slaughter to pay at Port.

And be it further Ordained, That if any Butcher or other, who, from and after the day and yeer above written, shall bring any live Cattle above specified, either by Land or Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, or Lines of Communication, to kill for sale, or his owne private spending, which he or they bought without the Line of Communication, that every such Butcher or other shall at the entrance of such Port, pay the said duty of Excise for all such Cattle, according to the intent of this Ordinance, unto the Officers for that purpose there deputed to receive the same.

Butchers, &c. that keep Cattle for slaughter within the Line to pay in the Office before slaughter, or bring Testimony of the payment before.

And that all Butchers and others, who, for the uses aforesaid, shall from henceforth buy, feed, or otherwise have in readinesse to kill for provision of Victual the sorts and kinds of Cattle before mentioned, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, or Line of Communication, which came not immediately from without the Line, shall, before any such Cattle be by them put to sale or killed, pay the said Duty of Excise into the Office of Excise; or else give there sufficient testimony, that it was paid before.

Grafter, &c. refusing to pay, or de- lude the Ordinance, besides the penalties to be esteemed an ill affected person.

And be it likewise Ordained, That all and every such Grafter, Butcher, or other person or persons whatsoever, as shall seek to invade this Ordinance, by refusing to pay the aforesaid Duty of Excise according to the Tenour hereof, or practise any other fraudulent meanes or wayes to elude the same in any particular; that every such person or persons so offending, besides the severall penalties before mentioned, shall be esteemed a person ill affected to the State, and suffer such further punishment as both Houses of Parliament shall adjudge.

Former Ordinance for Flesh established in all things save these alterations.

And lastly, the said Lords and Commons do further Ordaine and Declare, That every other matter and thing contained in the former Ordinance of Excise on Flesh, of the ninth of *January* last, and thereby enjoyned to be executed and done, save in the matter of Regulating and levying of the same as by this Ordinance, shall to all intents and purposes remaine, and be in full force and vertue.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Die Sabbathi, 3. August. 1644.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons

whereby the Commissioners of Excise are directed unto whom they are to pay the Receipts of the Excise upon the Additionall Ordinance of Parliament, 8. Julij, 1644.

BE it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That the Moneys raised upon the additionall Excise, by an Ordinance of the eighth of July, 1644. and by that Ordinance divided into three parts, and apporportioned to severall uses, shall be paid by the Commissioners of Excise unto the persons hereafter mentioned: that is to say, The moiety of one third part, appointed by the said Ordinance for the satisfaction of the pressing Debts due to the severall Handicrafts-men, strangers, and other persons for Armes and Ammunition heretofore bought for the use of the State, and to severall poore persons, for carriage by Carts and Waggon for the same use, shall be paid to Sir *Gilbert Gerrard* Knight, Treasurer at Wars for those Uses: The other moiety of that third part, appointed for the reliefe of wounded and maimed Souldiers, and for satisfaction of Physitians, Apothecaries, Chirurgions, for the care of such Souldiers, and for the reliefe of such Widows and Children as have lost their Husbands and Fathers in the service of the Common-wealth, shall be paid unto *William Greenhil, Jo. Pocock, John Randal, and Ritch. Hutchinson*, Treasurers appointed for the maimed Souldiers, or unto any two of them, for those uses. The second third part, whereof the one moiety is by that Ordinance appointed to be employed towards the Land-Forces in the service of the Parliament, shall be paid to the said Sir *Gilbert Gerrard* Knight; and the other moiety, appointed for the provision of Armes and Ammunition for the said Land-Forces, shall be paid to Sir *Walter Earl* Knight, Lievt. of the Ordnance. The last third part, the one moiety whereof is appointed by that Ordinance for the maintenanc of the Navy by Sea, shall be

The Receipts
of the Additionall
Excise by Ordinance
8. July, 1644.
appointed to
be paid for
severall uses.

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paid to Sir *Henry Vane* junior Knight, Treasurer of the Navy, by Order of the Committee of the Navy; The other moiety of the said third part, appointed for Armes, Stores, and Ammunition for the Navy, shall be paid to Sir *Walter Earl* Knight, for the use of the Navy, by Order of the said Committee of the Navy. And the receipt of the severall persons appointed by this Ordinance for the respective Sums by them to be received, according to the intent of this Ordinance, shall be a Warrant and discharge to the Commissioners of Excise.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons establisshing certain Rules and Instructions to be observed by the Commissioners of Excise; the Auditors in taking their Accounts; and others employed about the Collection of the Excise.

Die Sabbathi, 31. August. 1644.

List of names and Sallaries of the Officers in the Excise, signed by the Committe to be a discharge to the Commissioners.

Commissioners to deliver Quarterly to the Auditor a true Copy of all perfect Entries, &c. in the Office of London.

The Auditors to examine the same with the Vouchers.

First, that the List of the names, and the severall Salaries of the Officers employed in the Receipts of the Excise, or otherwise signed by the Committee for the Excise, or any five of them for the time past, shall be a sufficient warrant unto the Auditors, having compared the same with the Receipt of the said Officer and Officers, to passe and allow thereof, and accordingly to discharge the Commissioners of Excise for the time past.

Secondly, That the Commissioners of Excise shall Quarterly deliver the Auditors in writing a true Copy of all perfect Entries, Receipts and Payments within their severall Offices under the cognizance and limits of the Office of the City of London: The which Copy the said Auditors shall according as they shall find needfull, compare, prick over, and examine, with the Vouchers perfect Entries, or any other Book of Accompts within the said severall Offices:
And

And having found the same to agree, shall ingrosse the same in their Office, and forthwith discharge the Commissioners of Excise, and every of them, of and from the same, according to the forme of Discharge hereunto annexed.

Thirdly, That the Commissioners of Excise shall likewise Quarterly deliver the Auditors in Writing a true Copy of all imperfect Entries within their severall Offices under the cognizance and limits of the Office of the City of London; which Copy the said Auditors shall, according as they shall find needfull, compare and examine with their Books. And the said Com. of Excise shall also Quarterly deliver unto the said Auditors in Writing, a true Copy of all perfect and imperfect Entries, Receipts and Payments of all and every the other Offices thorowout the Kingdome, to the end the State may have an account both of Debts which are owing, and the person by whom they are due.

Fourthly, That the Commissioners of Excise shall not stand chargeable for any Debts which have or shall arise upon any Tickets of sufferance, which, in case of necessity, and for accommodation of Trade, they shall find needfull to grant out untill the weight or measure of any Exciseable commodity may be perfected; but in such case the same Debt shall be onely charged by the Auditors upon the head and account of the Debtor: Provided, that no Ticket of sufferance shall be granted to any person for above Twenty eight dayes: That the Auditors in the course of their Audit, do, together with every entry or Parcells, examine and allow all Tares, Trets, and other abatements and allowances which the Commissioners have or shall make upon any exciseable Commodities, without charging the Account with any more then the sum received upon every Entry or Parcell.

Fifthly, That such Debts as have arisen and stand in arrear upon the Accompts of Excise, either for halfe Excise of Beere, Ale, or Wine, for the whole Excise of these, or any other Commodities which are drawn out of the Returns made upon the search at the first settlement of the

Commissioners to deliver Quarterly to the Auditors a true Copy of all imperfect Entries in the Office of London.

And a Copy of all perfect & imperfect Entries, &c. throughout England.

Commissioners not to stand chargeable for debts by Bills of sufferance.

But to be charged upon the Account of the Debtor Tickets of Sufferance not to be granted for above 28 days Auditors to allow Tares, Trets, & other abatements.

Debts in arrear upon Beere, Ale, Wine, &c.

Upon the returns at the first search.

Office, and were not made by any default of the Commissioners of Excise, be not charged by the Auditors upon the said Commissioners, but set upon the accounts of the Debtors.

Not to be charged upon the Commissioners, but on the Debtor.

Sixthly, That the Commissioners and the said Auditors may be the better enabled to goe forward in their severall Places and Trusts according to the direction herein prescribed, the Commissioners of Excise shall ballance and make up their Bookes on the eleventh of *September* next, for the year past, and deliver the Auditors a Copy of the Receipts, Disbursements, Debts, or Arrears made and passed during the same time, which the Auditors shall with all expedition examine, compare and prick over, with the Vouchers Entries and Books of Accounts in the severall Offices; and having found and made the same to agree, shall discharge the Commissioners of Excise, and every of them, for one yeare together.

Commissioners to make up their Books on the 11. of Sept. next.

Seventhly, That although the Income of some Counties in the Principality of *Wales*, and in other places and parts of the Kingdome, be assigned by Ordinance of Parliament for maintenance of the Forces in those Parts; it shall not be understood as if the Commissioners, Deputies, or any other Receivers of the said Excise in those Places, should not still account with the Office in London, unto which they shall be Quarterly enjoyned, as other Sub-Commissioners. And the Lords and Commons doe further Ordaine and Declare, That from henceforth no Receipts shall be delivered, or any Collection of Excise be made within any the parts of the Kingdome, but by Commission only from the chiefe Office in *London*.

Receipts of Wales and other places appointed for payment of Forces.

To account with the Office.

No receipts to be delivered, nor Collection, but by Commission from the chiefe Office.

Eightly, That no Governours or Commanders of any Townes, Castles, Forts, or Armies under Service of the Parliament, shall seize upon any the Receipts of the Excise; or protect any person or persons from payment of the Excise, upon any occasion or pretence whatsoever.

No Commanders, &c. shall seize upon any Receipts, or protect any from payment.

Ninthly,

Ninthly, That no Wharfinger, or Keeper of any Wharf, Crane, or any Porter or other Officer at the Custom-house do take up or let down, or otherwise permit to be brought on, or Shipped off his Wharf, any Goods or Merchandizes whatsoever, but in the presence of an Officer of Excise, who to that purpose shall be appointed to attend at the Custome-house at all usuall houres and times accustomed, and lately setled by Ordinance of Parliament concerning Customes,

Wharfinger,
&c. at the
Custom-
house, not to
work, but in
presence of
an Officer of
Excise.

H. Elsynge Cler. Parl. D. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
assembled in Parliament, for mitigation of Excise
upon STRONG-WATERS.

Die Jovis, 26. Sept. 1644.

WHereas by Ordinance of Parliament, Dated the eleventh of September, 1643. there is eight pence upon every Gallon laid by way of Excise upon all Strong-waters and Aquavitæ imported or to be imported, or made or Distilled within the Realme of England, Dominion of Wales, or Towne of Berwick, to be paid by the first Buyer, or Maker, or Distiller respectively; which sum of Eight pence upon the Gallon, being raised upon the Strong-waters and Aquavitæ made within the Kingdom, is found to have something intermitted trade in that Commodity within the Kingdome. And forasmuch as by the said Ordinance of the 11. of September, 1643. there was no provision made for the Levying of Excise upon all Spirits Imported, whereby the true intent of the said Ordinance might be avoyded: Be it Ordained by the Lords and Commons

Aquavitæ &
Strong-wa-
ters native,
two pence
per Gallon.

By the Maker

Spirits, all
Brand-wine
imported 2 d.
per Gallon
by the first
Buyer.

Strong-wa-
ters perfect
made, impor-
ted, 8 d. per
Gallon by the
first Buyer.

Forreigne
Spirits made
into perfect
Strong-wa-
ters, 1 d. per
Gallon more
by the Distil-
ler.

Aquavitæ &
Strong-wa-
ters native,
exported, the
Excise to be
repaid.

Except 1 d.
upon for rein
Spirits made
into perfect
Strong-wa-
ter.

mons assembled in Parliament, and by Authority of the same, for the encouragement of the Maker and Distiller of Strong-waters, and for the better Receipt of the Excise upon this Commodity, That all Aquavitæ or Strong-waters made in the Kingdome of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, or Towne or Port of *Berwick*, doe pay two pence upon every Gallon by way of Excise, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, to be paid by the first Maker thereof,

That all Spirits made of French or Spanish Wines, commonly called Brand-wine, imported, doe pay two pence upon every Gallon Excise, and so after that Rate for a greater or lesser quantity, to be paid by the first Buyer from the said Importer: That all Strong-Waters perfectly made, whatsoever, imported from beyond the Seas, shall pay Eight pence upon every Gallon Excise, to be paid by the first Buyer from the said Importer,

That for such forreigne Spirits as aforesaid, as any Distiller shall use and make into perfect Strongewaters, that such Maker or Distiller shall pay onely one penny upon every Gallon more, it first appearing unto the Commissioners of Excise, or their Deputies, in the severall Offices respectively, by sufficient Testimony, that the Two pence aforesaid, was duely paid at the first sale thereof as Spirits.

That for all Aquavitæ or Strong-waters, made in the Kingdome, which shall be againe exported for any parts beyond the Seas, or out of the Realme of *England*, &c. whether into Plantations, or other whatsoever, having first paid the severall Excises before-mentioned: The Commissioners of Excise for the time being, or their Deputies, unto whom the severall Excises have been paid as aforesaid, being sufficiently satisfied therein as aforesaid, shall and may allow and repay the severall Excises aforesaid, except onely the one penny laid upon forraign Spirits made hereinto perfect Strong-waters.

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Provided always, that all Spirits, both forreigne and domestick, that shall fraudulently be sold by any person or persons, to Chapmen or others, to retail in kind, in stead of Aquavitæ or Strong-waters, shall pay for every Gallon so sold, after the rate of Eight pence per Gallon Excise.

Spirits used
fraudulently
for Strong-
waters to pay
8 d per Gal-
lon,

And provided always, That no Distillers or other Dealers in Spirits, Aquavitæ or Strong-waters as aforesaid, shall have any benefit of the Rates or Abatements aforesaid, but onely such as shall cleare the Excise, according to the said severall Rates for all Spirits, Aquavitæ or Strong-waters, made, bought, or sold respectively, since the eleventh of September, 1643. by such testimony as shall satisfie the Commissioners or their Deputies, by an Account under their hands, to be brought in within one moneth after the date hereof: But to pay Excise, and to be proceeded against without favor, according as is expressed in the said Ordinance of the eleventh of *September*, in this behalfe.

None to have
this benefit,
but such as
Account &
cleare within
a moneth.

H. Elsynge Cler. Parl. D. Com.

Die Veneris, 27. Sept. 1644.

WHereas by Ordinance of Parliament, Dated the 31. of *August* last, there are certain Rules and Instructions established to be observed by the Commissioners of Excise, the Auditors in taking their Accompts, and others employed about the Excise; the which Ordinance is understood to be in force onely as to the time past, for one year commencing, from the 11. of Sept. 1643. and ending the 11. of this present Sept, 1644. And whereas it is found necessary, according as the present Commissioners of Excise are by Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 8. of April last, continued to be chiefe Commissioners and Gouvernors of the whole Office and the Receipts of Excise and New-Impost for one yeare longer, from the 11. of this present month of Sept. 1644. that the said Ordinance of the 31. of August last, should be also confirmed and stand in force for the same term.

Be

Ordinance of
31. August,
1644.

Except the
sixth Article.

Continued
for a yeare.

Commis-
sioners Salary
upon the Ad-
ditionall Or-
dinance of 8.
July, 1644.
appointed.

And to ap-
point Officers
and allow
Sallaries, &c.
for Collecting
thereof.

Indempnity
to them.

Be it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parli-
ment assembled, and by Authority of the same, That the said
Ordinance of the 31. of *August* last, and every clause and
article therein contained (excepting the sixth Article which
concernes onely the taking up the Accounts of the last year,
and the passing thereof in one Audit) shall remain and be in
force to all intents and purposes, for, and during the next
whole yeare commencing from the 11. of this present *Sept.*
and ending on the 11. of *September* next.

And be it hereby further Ordained by authority afore-
said, That whereas the said Commissioners are further au-
thorized by an additionall Ordinance of Parliament, dated
the 8. of *July* last, to levie and collect the severall sums of
Money by way of Excise, upon the Commodities therein
specified, That the said Commissioners of Excise shall be
allowed the sum of six pence upon every pound which shall
be received, by vertue of the said Ordinance: And shall
and may choose and appoint such Deputy or Deputies,
Officer or Officers as they shall think needfull for the colle-
ction thereof; and allow such salary and yearly stipend or
reward unto them, and every of them as is directed in those
particulars by the Ordinance of the 11. of *Sept.* 1643. And
that they the said Commissioners of Excise, their Deputies
and Officers, or any of them, which shall doe any thing in
execution or performance of the said Ordinance of the 31.
of *August* last, shall be therein from time to time protected
and saved harmlesse by the power and authority of both
Houses of Parliament,

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. Com,

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Die Martis, 26. Novemb. 1644.

VHereas the Plantations in *New-England* have bin by the blessing of Almighty God and prosperous successe, without any publike charge to this State, & are likely to prove very happy for the Propagation of the Gospell in those parts, and very beneficiall and commodious to this Kingdome and Nation : The Lords and Commons now assembled in Parliament, for the better advancement of those Plantations, and the encouragement of the Planters to proceed in their undertakings, Have Ordained, and be it Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That all Merchandize and Goods that by any Merchant or other person or persons whatsoever, shall be exported out of this Kingdome of *England* into *New-England* to be spent used or employed there, or being of the growth of that Countrey, shall be from thence imported hither, or shall be laden and put on board in any Ship or Vessell, for necessities in passing or returning to and from, without paying or yeilding any Custome, Subsidye, Excise, Taxation, or Imposition, or other duty for the same either inwards or outwards, either in this Kingdome or *New-England*, or any Port, Haven or Creek, or place, whatsoever, from the 10. of *March*, 1642. untill both Houses shall take further Order herein to the contrary. And all and singular Customers, Farmers, and Collections of Customes, Subsidies and Imposts, and other Officers, ministers and Substitutes whatsoever, are hereby required and enjoined, that they and every of them, upon shewing forth unto them of this Ordinance, or a true Copy thereof, under the hand of the Clerk of the Parliament, without any other writ or Warrant whatsoever, do make full, whole and entire and due allowance and clear discharge unto the said Owners of the said Goods and Merchandizes, their Factors, Servants and Agents, according to the true intent and meaning of this present Ordinance.

Commodities
exported for,
or imported
from New-
England, to
pay no Cu-
stome, Excise,
&c.

The Officers
to cleare such
Goods upon
sight hereof,
without fur-
ther warrant.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliament. H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Veneris, 6. Decemb. 1644.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for continuance of the Excise and New-Impost upon Flesh, Victualls, and Salt, for one whole yeare longer; to commence *January 9. 1644.*

Ordinance 9.
Jan. 1643.
August 3.
1644. About
Flesh & Salt.

Continued
for a yeare
from 9. Jan.
1644.

Indempnity
to the Offi-
cers.

BE it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That *John Towse, Thomas Foot, John Kendrick, Thomas Cullum, and Simon Edmonds* Esquires, and Aldermen of the City of *London*; *John Lamot, and Edward Claxton*, of the City of *London*, Esquires, the present Commissioners of Excise and New-Impost, in and thorrow the whole Kingdome of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Towne of *Berwick*, shall and may doe and execute all and every the Clauses, Articles, and other thing or things ordained, mentioned, and contained in the Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament, bearing date the 9. of *January*, 1643. touching the Excise of *Flesh*, Victualls, and Salt: as also the Ordinance dated the third of *August*, 1644. Entituled, *An Ordinance Declaratory, for the better Regulating and Levying of the Excise of Flesh, within the Cities of London and Westminster, Suburbs and Lines of Communication.* Which said two Ordinances are hereby Ordained to stand in force, and be managed by the said Commissioners, for one yeare next ensuing the ninth of *January*, 1644. to all intents and purposes whatsoever; who shall receive the like allowance of six pence in every pound for the Receipt. And be it further Ordained, That as well all and every the said Commissioners, Deputies, and other their Officers, as all and every other person or persons which shall doe any thing in execution of this present Ordinance, shall be therein from time to time protected and saved harmelesse, by the power and Authority of both Houses of Parliament.

Jo Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

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Die Mercurii, 29. Jan. 1644.

Two Ordinances of the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, for continuation of the severall Ordinances of Excise and New-Impost, untill the first of APRIL, 1646.

V Hereas the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled have thought fit to continue the severall Rates and Charges of Excise or New-Impost already settled and established by Authority of both Houses: Bee it hereby Ordained by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament Asssembled, That all and every the Ordinances touching the Excise or New-Impost, and every Clause, Sentence, Article, and other thing and things in them and every of them contained and expressed, and now in force, as well for the governing and ordering of the Excise, as for the settling laying, and imposing severall Rates and charges upon sundry and diverse Commodities, shall, next after their, and every of their particular and respective Expirations, be, and hereby are continued, prolonged, and to bee received in and thorowout the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Towne of Berwick, untill the first day of Aprill, One thousand six hundred forty six. And it is further Ordained and declared by Authority aforesaid, That *John Towse, Thomas Foot, John Kendrick, Thomas Cullum, and Simon Edmonds*, Esquires, and Aldermen of the City of *London*; *John Lamot* and *Edward Claxton* of the same, Esquires, the present Commissioners of Excise or New-Impost shall remaine and be the chiefe Commissioners and Governours of the whole Office and Receipts of the Excise and New-Impost, in and thorow the whole Kingdome of England, and Dominion of Wales, Towne of Berwick, and shall and may doe and execute all and every the said Ordinances, Clauses,

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Articles,

All Ordinances of Excise now in force continued.

Till the first of Apr. 1646.

To be managed by the present Commissioners.

The same
Salary as for-
merly to the
Commis-
sioners.

Accounts to
be made as
directed &
Ordered, 31.
August, 1644.

Indemnity
to the Of-
ficers.

Articles, and other thing and things in all and every the said Ordinances contained, mentioned and expressed, in the same manner and forme, and to the same intents and purposes, for, during and untill the said first day of Aprill. One thousand six hundred and forty six, with the like allowance of six pence upon every Twenty shillings that shall come in upon the Receipts of the Excise or New-Impost. And it is further Ordained, That the said Commissioners, and their Sub-Commissioners shall make and deliver up their respective Accompts in such manner as is directed and prescribed by the Ordinance of the one and thirtieth of August last past. And it is likewise Ordained, That as well all and every the said Commissioners, their Sub-Commissioners and Officers, as all and every other person and persons whatsoever, who shall doe, or cause any thing to be done in pursuance of this Ordinance, shall be protected, saved harmlesse, and indemnified by Authority of both Houses of Parliament.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Die Luna, 3. Febr. 1644.

Excise conti-
nued to 11.
Sept. 1646.

ORdered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, That the Ordinance concerning the Receipts and Commissioners of Excise, passed both Houses on Wednesday last, the 29. of January, 1644. shall be enlarged, and continue in force in the same manner it now is, untill the 11. of September, which shall be in the yeare of our Lord, 1646.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
 assembled in Parliament, appointing a Comptrol on the
 Office of Excise London, and the extents thereof.

Die Sabbathi, 6. Sept. 1645.

THe Lords and Commons in Parliament Assembled taking notice of the integrity, paines and care of the Commissioners of Excise in execution of that Trust committed unto them; Yet finding it just and requisite that a Comptrol should be placed upon the Accounts of Excise, to give satisfaction to themselves, and this Kingdome; Do ordaine *Thomas Fawconberge* Esquire, to be Comptroller of the Office of Excise, of the Excise of the City of London, with the Limits and Extents thereof; And doe give him full power and authority by himselfe or his sufficient Deputies, to keep account of all Entries Receipts, Payments, Rebates, Tares, Trets, Discompts, Forfeitures, or any Bills of Sufferance whatsoever, within the Office and Limits aforesaid: And that no person or persons shall be discharged of any duty belonging to the Office of Excise before the same be signed by the said *Thomas Fawconberge*, or his Deputies; who are hereby enjoyned to enter the same from time to time in a Book for that purpose; and to signe according to the Instructions hereafter mentioned, and such other Instructions as the said Comptrollers shall from time to time receive from both Houses of Parliament, or the Committee of Lords and Commons for the Excise. And it is further Ordained, That the said *Thomas Fawconberge* shall have for his Sallary the yearly Sum of Five hundred pounds, to be paid him Quarterly by the Commissioners of Excise, who are hereby authorized and appointed to pay the same; For which this present Ordinance, with his Receipt, shall be their sufficient discharge. And the said *Thomas Fawconberge* shall have such further Allowances for his Deputies and Clerks as shall be thought

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Tho. Fawconberge appointed Comptroller of the Office of Excise of London, & limits thereof.

By himselfe, and Deputies to keepe account of all Entries, Receipts, Payments, &c.

No person discharged of Excise, without the hand of Comptrol: To signe according to these or such other Instructions as they shall receive from Ports or Committee for Excise.

Comptrollers Sallary 500*l.* per annum, Quarterly to be paid by the Commis. Allowances for Deputies as shall be thought fit.

By the Committee of Excise.

To be paid by the Commissioners.

Commissioners to deliver Quarterly a perfect account of all Entries, Payments, &c. to William Bond appointed sole Auditor of all Excise.

The Auditor to execute all powers granted by former Ordinances, except keeping a Duplicate of Accompts & Entries in the Office.

Auditors 500*l* per annum Salary to be paid Quarterly by the Commis. Auditors to have allowance for Clerks as the Committee for Excise think fit.

To be paid by the Commissioners.

Oath of the Comptroller & his Deputies.

convenient by the said Committee of Excise; who are hereby authorized to proportion their number and respective Sallaries, and to give Warrant to the said Commissioners of Excise to pay the same accordingly, which Warrant shall be a sufficient discharge to the said Commissioners for such payments. And the said *Thomas Fauconberge* shall Quarterly deliver a perfect Account of all Entries, Payments, Receipts, and Debts unto *William Bond*, who is hereby Ordained sole Auditor of all Excise and New-Impost, within the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Towne of Berwick, and is to have and execute the same power and Authority granted to the Auditors in any former Ordinances of Excise whatsoever; excepting the making and keeping a Duplicate, or counterpart of all Accompts and Entries in the said Office. And it is likewise Ordained, That the said *William Bond* shall have for his Salary, the yearly sum of five hundred pounds to be paid him Quarterly by the Commissioners of Excise, who are hereby authorized and appointed to pay the same, for which this present Ordinance, with his Receipt, shall be their sufficient discharge. And the said *William Bond* shall have such further allowances for his Clerks, as shall be thought convenient by the said Committee of Excise, who are hereby authorized to proportion their number, and and respective Salaries, and to give warrant to the said Commissioners of Excise to pay the same accordingly, which warrant shall be a sufficient discharge to the said Commissioners for such Payment. And it is further Ordained, That the said Comptroller, and his respective Deputies shall take an Oath in these words.

YOU shall swear to be faithfull and true in the Office of Comptroll of Excise or New-Impost, and to your best skill and knowledge shall execute the same diligently and faithfully, according to the direction of the Ordinance of Parliament, and such Instructions as are or shall be given you by both Houses of Parliament, or the Committee of Lords and

and Commons for Excise in that behalfe : And shall doe all things belonging to your Place, according to your ability, without any private Reward, or private end to your selfe, directly or indirectly. And you will not discover the course of any Persons Trade unto any other person whatsoever, and in all things you shall well and truly behave your selfe.

So help you God, and the Contents of this Book.

And that any Five of the Committee for Excise shall have power to administer this Oath to the Comptroller or his Deputies. And it is further Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That the said *Thomas Fauconberge*, and his Deputies, shall execute the said Place and Office of Comptroller, according to this Ordinance, and the Instructions hereafter mentioned, and such other Instructions as the said Comptroller shall from time to time receive from both Houses of Parliament, or the said Committee of Lords and Commons for the Excise; who are hereby Authorized to give further Instructions for that purpose, as they shall see cause. And it is lastly Ordained, That this Ordinance shall be of force, and put in execution immediately from and after the eleventh day of *September* next ensuing, and not before.

To be administered by any five of the Commissioners of Excise.

Comptrollers and Deputies to observe the following Instructions, & such other as he shall receive from Parliament or Committee of Excise. This Ordinance to be put in execution from & after the 11. of September. 1645.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

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Die Sabbathi, 6. Septemb. 1645.

**Instructions for a Comptrol upon the Ac-
compts of Excise Office London, within the Limits and
Extents thereof.**

Viz.

Comptrol-
ler to at-
tend daily at
Excise Office
& Custome-
house at Re-
ceipts & Pay-
ments, and
make Dupli-
cates thereof.

Excise not
discharg'd till
Tickets sign'd
by Comptrol-
ler.

Bill of Suffe-
rance not va-
lid till signed
by Comptrol-
ler.

No allowance
of Tare, Tret,
&c. made by
the Commis-
sioners, valid,
till signed by
Comptroller.

All Allowan-
ces, Sufferan-
ces, & Tickets
passed by the
Commisio-
ners to be
signed by
Comptroller,
& entred.

All differen-
ces between
the Commis-
sioners and
Comptrollers
to be deter-
mined by the
Committee
of Excise.

I. That the Comptroller, by himselfe or his sufficient Deputy and Deputies, attend daily according to the usuall times, and be present at all Receipts and Entries within the severall Offices of the Excise Office in Broadstreet London, and at the Custome-house, and make Duplicates or Entries of the same, in fitting Books to be provided for that purpose.

II. That no person be discharged of the duty of Excise untill a Ticket for the same be signed by the Comptroller or his Deputies.

III. That no Bill of Sufferance be valid or effectually, untill the same be signed by the said Comptroller or his Deputies.

IV. That no allowance for Rebates, Tare, Tret, and Discompts, or other Abatements which the Commissioners of Excise shall make and allow to any person, be valid, or effectually, untill the said Comptroller, by himselfe or his Deputies, shall signe the same.

V. That all allowances for Rebates; Tare, Tret, and Discompts; And likewise all Bills of Sufferance and Tickets which shall be passed and signed by the Commissioners of Excise, or their Deputies and Servants, and presented to the Comptroller or Deputies, for his or their hand, shall be by him or them signed & entred in his Book accordingly.

VI. That if any difference arise between the Commis-
sioners of Excise and the Comptroller, that upon notice
thereof

thereof given by the Comptroller to the Committee of Lords and Commons for Excise; the said Committee is hereby authorized to determine the same.

VII. That the Commissioners of Excise, or their Clerk to the Cash, shall weekly, upon every Munday morning, deliver the Comptroller or his Deputy, a Copy of all Payments and Disbursements, and to whom, during the preceding week; which the Comptroller is to enter in a Book to be kept for that purpose. And that no payment made by the Commissioners of Excise, shall be allowed or valid, unlesse an account thereof be weekly given as aforesaid.

Commissioners to present weekly on Monday morning to the Comptroller a Copy of all payments. To be by him entered. No payment valid, but what is so weekly given.

VIII. That the said Comptroller shall quarterly deliver in unto the Auditor, a perfect Accompt, as well of all Entries, Receipts, and Debts, as of the payments aforesaid.

Comptroller to deliver Quarterly to the Auditor a perfect Account of Entries, Debts, &c.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament.

Die Martis, 16. Septemb. 1645.

WHereas divers the Buyers of Exciseable Commodities conceiving themselves not liable to any Penalties, Fine, or Forfeiture for any offence whatsoever committed against any the Ordinances of Excise, because in no Article of any the said Ordinances they are particularly and expressly named so to be; have thereby been emboldned to use all manner of indirect practises whereby to deceive the State of the duty of Excise. And whereas by pretence of roomaging and removing of Goods unfold, and yet in the first hand, from one place to another, much fraud and deceit hath been used to the evill intent aforesaid: Now the Lords and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, taking the premises into consideration, for preven-

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Goods not to
be roomaged
though un-
fold, or the
Excise paid
without Tick-
et or Officer.

Who is to
take no Fee
for the same.

A Barter or
Exchange ac-
counted Sale.

For all Goods
Exciseable.

Sold or deli-
vered contra-
ry to the 13.
Article of the
grand Ordi-
nance or any
other.

Or whereof
a true En-
try not made.

As well Buy-
er as Seller to
incur such
penalty and
so to be levi-
ed, as was
provided for
the Seller
only.

Commis-
sioners not de-
barred to
grant Suffer-
ances.

Contents of a
Tun of Wine
established.

tion of all such and other fraudulent and indirect practi-
ces hereafter, doe hereby Declare and Ordaine, That no
person or persons whatsoever, shall remove, roomage,
or carry from one house to another, any Goods or Com-
modities whatsoever, chargeable with this Dutie, though
unfold or that the Duty of Excise be already paid,
without a Ticket, or an Officer appointed to that purpose
by the Commissioners of Excise, under the Penalties in the
thirteenth Article of the Ordinance of the eleventh of Sep-
tember, 1643. mentioned. Provided, that no Officer so ap-
pointed, shall take or demand any Fee or Reward of any
Merchant or other for that service.

And be it further Declared and Ordained, That a bar-
ter or exchange of one sort of Goods for another, was and
shall be accounted sale.

And it is further Ordained and Declared by the Lords
and Commons aforesaid, That for all Goods, Merchan-
dizes and Commodities whatsoever, made exciseable by
any the Ordinances of Parliament, which shall be bought,
fold, bartered or delivered contrary to the true intent and
meaning of the said thirteenth Article, or any other Ar-
ticle in any the said Ordinances, or whereof a true and
perfect Entry shall not have been made, of weight, num-
ber, price, and value; as well the Buyer as the Seller shall
be liable to such Penalties, Forfeitures and Fines; and so
to be levied and employed as in the said Article and Articles
was Provided and Ordained for the Seller, Maker, Mer-
chant, or Importer onely. Provided, and it is hereby
intended, That that Commissioners of Excise shall not
be hereby debarred, as they shall see cause, to grant any
Bill of Sufferance, according to the Ordinance of the
one and thirtieth of August last past. And it is further
ordained and declared by Authority aforesaid, by way of
explanation of the Schedule in the Ordinance of the ele-
venth of September, One thousand six hundred forty
three, and for taking away all dispute and cavill concerning
the content of a Tun of Wine, That two Butts, two Pipes,
four

four Hogheads (of what sort soever) six Teircies, three Punchions or Tertians, and eight Quarter Casks of Wine respectively, shall be accounted for one Tun. And all Merchants, Importers, Makers, Buyers, Retailers, and other Traders and dealers in any exciseable Commodities, shall according to the true intent and meaning of the said recited Ordinance upon due notice by Ticket or Officer, make and deliver under their severall and respective hands in Writing to the said Commissioners of Excise, as oft as they shall see cause, to require the same true and just Accounts of what Goods they have respectively imported, made, bought, sold, bartered, spent, or have then upon their hands, upon penalty of five pounds to be forfeited *Toties quoties* for every refusall; to be so levied, and for such uses, as in the said Ordinance of the eleventh of September is prescribed. And it is hereby further Ordained, That aswell the Commissioners of Excise, their Deputies and Officers, as all and every other person and persons which shall doe any thing in execution of this present Ordinance, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, shall be therein from time to time protected and saved harmlesse, aswell for what is past, as for what is to come, by the power and Authority of both Houses of Parliament. And that the Ordinance of the nineteenth of February last past, concerning the Excise, shall be nulled and made void hereby.

Merchants,
Buyers, &c.

Upon notice
to give

True and just
account of all
Goods as oft
as the Com-
missioners re-
quire, upon
s.l. penalty.

Indemnity
to the Com-
missioners &
Officers.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament.

Dis Sabbathi, 4. Octob. 1645.

WHereas it is thought most convenient, and very necessary for the service of the Common-wealth, that the Accounts of Excise be reduced to one and the same determination: Be it therefore Ordained by the Lords and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, That all and every the Accounts of the said Excise and New-Impost within this Realme of England, Dominion of Wales, and Port and Towne of Berwick, shall now all determine up, on the nine and twentieth day of September, 1645. and afterward Quarterly upon the Foure usuall Feasts or Terms of the yeare, *Viz.* the five and twentieth of December, the five and twentieth of March, the foure and twentieth of June, and nine and twentieth of September. And the Comptroll upon the Accounts of Excise, in the Office of Excise London, with the limits and extents thereof, shall begin from the said nine and twentieth day of September, 1645. And the Wages and Allowances of the severall Officers and Ministers imployed in the said Excise, shall be apportioned according to the severall and respective times for and untill the said nine and twentieth day of September, 1645. and afterwards shall be paid quarterly upon the said severall dayes by equall portions.

All accounts
of Excise to
determine on
the 29. Sept.
1645.

And after
Quarterly, on
the 4. usuall
Quarter days.

Comptroller
for London
to begin from
29. Septemb.
1645.

Wages and
Allowances
to be apporti-
oned till then

And after
paid Quarter-
ly.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. D. Com,

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons

assembled in Parliament, for an Additionall Excise or New-Impost upon Lead: Gold, Silver, and Copper Thred: Gold, Silver and Copper Wyer: Glasse, Glasses made in the Kingdome. Lynseed Oil, Whale Oil, Pilchard, and all other Oils made and spent in the Kingdome: Silks: Sope: Woollen Cloath Imported, and Lamperns. For payment of Artificers, &c.

Die Lune, 124. Novemb. 1645.

THe Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, taking into their serious consideration the great and pressing Debts of the Kingdome; amongst other, such as are due to severall Artificers, and other Handicrafts-men, for Armes and Ammunition bought and taken up of them for the service of the Parliament, and defence and preservation of the Kingdome; and also to *John Wright* Printer to the House of Peers, and to the Printer to the House of Commons; for which no satisfaction hath hitherto been made; Do hereby declare, order and ordain, And be it by Authority of Parliament declared, ordained and ordered, That the severall Rates and Charges hereafter mentioned, shall be set, laid, and imposed, and are hereby set, laid, and imposed upon the severall Goods and Commodities within the Kingdome of England, Dominion of Wales, and Towne of Berwick, hereafter mentioned, by way of Excise and New-Impost, over and above all other Customs, Excise, Impost, and other Duties due and payable for the same:

Viz.

That an Excise of five Shillings bee paid by the first Buyer, for every Fother of Lead, either to be exported, or spent in the Kingdome.

That twelve pence be levied and paid by way of Excise upon every Twenty Shillings value of Gold, Silver and Copper

Additional
Excise to pay
Artificers,
Printer to the
Parliament, &
upon Native
Commodities

Lead, 5.s. per
Fother, by
the first Buyer.

Gold, Silver,
and Copper
Wyer, and
Thred, 12.d.
on every 20.s.
value.

By the first Buyer.

If put into Lace by the Maker, and to pay as if the first Buyer.

Glasse, 12 d. per pound value, by the Maker.

Linseed Oil, &c. 12 d. per pound value, by the Maker

Silk in Gum ready thrown 3 d. per pound value, besides 9 d. formerly.

Silks dyed 6 d. per pound value, besides 12 d. formerly.

Sope per Firkin, first sort 6 d. besides 10 d. formerly.

Second sort 5 d. besides 9 d. formerly.
Third sort 4 d. besides 8 d. formerly.

By the first Buyer.

Sope imported, per Firkin 12 d. besides 12 d. formerly by the first Buyer.

Woollen Cloath imported, 12 d. per pound value by the Importer.

Copper Wyer made in the Kingdome, to be paid by the first Buyer. Provided alwayes, That if the Maker of the Gold, Silver and Copper Thread or Wyer, shall before sale thereof, by himself, or by any other person, put the same into Lace, or any other such Manufacture, that the said Maker shall be liable to, and pay the said Twelve pence Excise respectively as if he were the first Buyer thereof.

That an Excise of Twelve pence shall be laid upon every Twenty Shillings value of Glasse, and Glasses of all sorts made within the Kingdome, to be paid by the Maker.

That an Excise of Twelve pence shall be laid upon every Twenty shillings value of Lynseed-Oil, Pilchard, and other Oils made and spent in the Kingdome, to be paid by the Maker.

That an Excise of Three pence should be laid upon every Twenty shillings value of Silk in the Gum ready thrown, besides the Nine pence already imposed.

That an Excise of Six pence shall be laid upon every Twenty Shillings value of all other Silkes died, either imported, or to be exported, besides the Twelve pence already imposed.

That an Excise shall be laid upon three severall sorts of Sope made in this Kingdome; Viz. Upon the first sort, which already payeth Ten pence the Firkin, an addition of Six pence, to make it Sixteene pence. Upon the second sort, which payeth Nine pence the Firkin, an addition of Five pence to make it Fourteene pence. Upon the third sort, which payeth Eight pence the Firkin, an addition of Foure pence, to make it Twelve pence; to be all respectively paid by the first Buyer. And likewise an addition of Eightene pence upon the Firkin to be made to the Eightene pence which is already imposed upon Sope imported, to be also paid by the first Buyer.

That an Excise of Twelve pence shall be laid upon every Twenty shillings value of Woollen Cloath to be imported, and to be paid by the Importer.

That

That an Excise of Ten Shillings in the Thousand shall be laid upon all Lamperns brought by Strangers for bait of Cod-Fish to be paid by the first Buyer.

Lamperns per
thousand, to
be paid by the first
Buyer.

And it is further ordered and declared by the said Lords and Commons, That the Commissioners of Excise now appointed, or hereafter to be appointed by Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament, or their Deputies, are hereby Authorized, Enabled, and required to put this Ordinance in due Execution, according to the true intent and meaning thereof: And to use all such good wayes and meanes for the discovering, Rating, Collecting, and securing of the severall Sums of Money imposed and declared by vertue of this present Ordinance, upon the severall Commodities and Goods above specified, as they are Authorized and enabled to doe in the case of any Excise or New-Impost set upon any other Commodities by any former Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament: And to impose such necessary Fines and penalties upon Offenders, and to execute all such power and Authority; And to allow therein for themselves, and unto their Deputies and Officers, such Fees and Allowances for the raising of the same, and no other, as to them is given for the raising any other Excise imposed by Authority of both Houses of Parliament, by any other Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament.

Commis: of
Excise to
put this Ordi-
nance in exe-
cution.

By such ways
&c. means as
for former
Excise.

And to im-
pose Fines.

To allow fees
&c. to them-
selves and Of-
ficers.

And bee it further Ordered, Declard and Ordained by Authority aforesaid, That all the Monies to bee raised by vertue of this Addition of Excise or New-Impost as aforesaid, or by vertue of this present Ordinance, shall be wholly imployed and disposed for the payment of all such Sum and Sums of money as are justly due to Artificers and Handicrafts-men, for Armes and Ammunition bought and delivered for the Service of the Parliament, and Defence and Preservation of the Kingdome; and also to

The monies
hereby raised

To be em-
ployed for
payment of
Artificers.

The Printer
to the Parlia-
ment.

*John
Wright*

Wright Printer to the house of Peers, and to the Printer to the House of Commons. And it is further Ordered and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That for the better discovery of what sums of money are due to any Artificers or Handicrafts-men for Armes and Ammunition sold and delivered for the service of the Parliament and defence of the Kingdome as aforesaid; That the Committee of Lords and Commons for the Excise shall and may, and are hereby authorized to call all such Artificers and Handicraft-men before them, and to examine the justnesse of the said Debts, aswell by Oath, as by all other good wayes and meanes; power being hereby given to the said Committee, or any five or more of them, to minister an Oath to such persons as they shall hold fitting.

Committee
of Excise to
examine the
Artificers
debts.

And it is hereby declared, That all such Debts as are justly due to such Artificers and Handicrafts-men for all such Arms and Ammunition as aforesaid, and shall be so adjudged and declared by the said Committee, or any five or more of them: The said Committee, or any five or more of them, shall or may make a Warrant or Warrants under their hands in Writing to Lieutenant Collonel *Bromfield*, *John Gayes*, *Daniel Haldenby*, and *William Watson*, Citizens of London, who are hereby appointed Treasurers for this service, and are weekly to receive from the hands, of the Commissioners of Excise, all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall come in upon the Receipt of this present Ordinance, for due payment of the said Sums of Money so due, to the persons to whom such Sums of Money shall be adjudged to be due respectively; or to such other persons mentioned in the said Warrants for their use, by such proportions and equall payments, as is hereafter provided, And the said Treasurer shall and may upon such Warrants as aforesaid, out of the Profits of Excise to be raised by vertue of this Ordinance, pay and satisfie all such Sums of Money so due as above said, to such person and persons mentioned in the said Warrants: which Warrant, and the Réceipts of the parties mentioned therein, shall be a sufficient

Committee
to make war-
ranty for
those debts
to Col. *Brom-
field*, &c. ap-
pointed, Tres.

To receive
the same
weekly from
the Commis-
sioners of Ex-
cise.

The Treasur-
ers to pay
the same to
the Artificers

sufficient Discharge unto the said Treasurers for the payment of such Moneys as are and shall be mentioned in such Orders and Warrants. Provided that every such Order and Warrant so assigned by five or more of the said Committee of Lords and Commons, and the Receipt or Receipts of any two of the Treasurers as aforesaid, shall from time to time be a sufficient Discharge to the Commissioners of Excise, and every of them, for all such Sum and Sums of Money which they shall pay unto them the said Treasurers, accruing out of the Receipts in pursuance of this Ordinance. And to the intent that all Artificers whose Warrants shall be allowed and signed by the Committee of Lords and Commons as aforesaid, at or before the five and twentieth of *March* next ensuing, the date hereof, may be proportionable, and share and share alike, according to every mans Debt, duly paid from time to time: Be it ordained by Authority aforesaid, that the said Treasurers at the end of every month shall so equally proportion out all Monies which in the said time they shall receive of the Commissioners of Excise by vertue of this Ordinance, unto every person whose Debt shall be adjudged and signed as aforesaid; that every person may from time to time receive his due share, according to his principall Debt, untill the whole Debts be fully discharged.

The Warrants
to be signed
by 5. or more
of the Com-
mittee for Ex-
cise.

Artificers
Warrants
that are allow-
ed at or before
the 25. of
March, 1646.

To be paid
monthly by
the Treasu-
rers, by equal
proportion.

And it is further ordered and declared, That the first Moneys to be raised by vertue of this Ordinance, shall be employed to the uses aforesaid, and to no other intent or use. And after the said Debts paid to the said Artificers, then the profits and sums of money gathered by vertue of the said New-Impost, shall be disposed of as the rest of the Excise is or shall be disposed of, or both Houses of Parliament shall hereafter declare and appoint. Provided nevertheless, And bee it Ordered and Declared, That when the said Artificers, Printer to the House of Peers, and Printer to the House of Commons, shall be satisfied their just Debts, so made to appeare as aforesaid, that then *Jo. Muller* a Merchant stranger of *Hamborough*, shall

First monies
raised to pay
the Artificers.

After, as the
rest of the Ex-
cise, or the
Parliament
shall appoint.

After Artifi-
cers and
Printers paid,
Jo. Muller to
be satisfied the
remainder of
his debt.

shall be first satisfied the remainder of his Debt for Arms :
 and next after him the Inholders and Victuallers
 within the City of *London* and *Westminster* , and parts ad-
 jacent within the lines of Communication , shall in the
 next place be satisfied and paid such sum and sums of mo-
 ney as they shall make appeare in manner aforesaid , to be
 justly due unto them for Horse meat, and Mans meat, from
 any Souldiers , or any of their Officers that served under
 the Command of the Parliament , and were lodged or
 dieted in their houses. Provided neverthelesse , And it is
 further Ordered and Declared, That the Commissioners of
 Excise, and the Officers, and others by them imployed in
 the Assessing, Raising, Collecting, and securing the said
 Sums of Money to be raised by this Ordinance , and in
 due execution of this Ordinance , shall be saved harmlesse,
 and kept indemnified and protected by power of Parlia-
 ment ; for any thing they, or any of them shall doe, or cause
 to be done in execution and pursuance of this present Or-
 dinance.

and next after
 him the In-
 holders of
London, and
 rules of Com-
 munication,
 to be paid
 for quartring.

Indemnity to
 Commis-
 sioners.

Continued
 for a year,
 from the day
 of publishing.

And lastly, the said Lords and Commons do order and
 declare, That this Ordinance shall begin to take effect from
 the day of the publishing of this Ordinance ; and from
 henceforth be continued one whole yeer next after the date
 of this present Ordinance, and no longer.

John Brown, Cleric. Parliamentorum.

Hen. Elsynge Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
in Parliament assembled, for the continuation of Ex-
cise or New-Impost untill the 29 of Septemb. 1648.

Die Sabbathi, 25 April, 1646.

BE it ordained by the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, That from and after the expiration of the severall Ordinances of Excise and New-Impost now in being, the Excise or New-Impost shall be continued in all the parts of the Kingdome of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Port and Town of *Berwick* upon *Twede*, untill the nine and twentieth day of *September* 1648, to be managed by such persons, and in such manner as both Houses of Parliament shall thinke fit. And for the better advancing of the Credit of the Excise or New-Impost, and for the encouragement of such persons as shall lend any Moneys upon the security of the same: It is further Ordained, That such Persons as have already, or at any time hereafter, shall have any grant or appointment unto them of any sum or sums of Money to be received upon the Excise and New-Impost, and likewise all such other person or persons, as already have advanced and lent, or shall hereafter advance and lend any sum or sums of Money upon the Credit and Security of the said Excise, and have had, or shall have an Ordinance passed both Houses of Parliament for their payment, or re-imbursment of the same, shall, and have hereby granted unto them power and authority, and are hereby accordingly authorized to assign and transfer the said Moneys unto them granted or appointed, or by them lent, or any part thereof, with Interest, where Interest is or shall be granted by any Ordinance of Parliament, unto any other person or persons whatsoever; And the Commissioners of Excise or New-Impost for the time being, or such other persons as shall be employed

Excise continued from the expiration of the severall Ordinances, now in being, till 29. Sept. 1648.

Persons that have, or shall lend any Money upon the Credit of the Excise,

by Ordinance of Parliament,

authorized to assign and transfer the sum;

And the Commissioners to pay the same accordingly.

The Auditor
to allow it on
accompt.

Provided the
Assignment
be entered
within 20.
days, with the
Commission-
ers and
Comptroller.

Committee
of Excise esta-
blished,
Earles of
Lincoln, and
Middlesex ad-
ded to it.

employed by both Houses of Parliament to manage the Receipts of the said Excise or New-Impost, are hereby authorized to make payment of the same accordingly: and the Auditor is hereby required and authorized to allow the same upon Accompt; Provided, that such Person or Persons at the time of such Assignment, or within twenty dayes after, make entry of the said Assignment with the said Commissioners, or other persons so to be employed for the time being; and Comptroller of the said Excise or New-Impost, who are hereby required and authorized to take notice of the same accordingly. And be it ordained by the authority aforesaid, That the Committee of Lords and Commons established by Ordinance bearing date the 31 or May, 1645, shall have all the power contained in the said Ordinance, during the term of this present Ordinance: And that *Theophilus* Earl of Lincoln, and *James* Earl of Middlesex, be added to the said Committee.

Io. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

*H. Elfyng*e, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

Die Mercurii, 3. Iunii, 1646.

Alderman
Foot, &c.
to manage the
Excise, du-
ring the conti-
nuance there-
of.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That *Thomas Foot*, *Iohn Kendrick*, *Thomas Cullum*, and *Simon Edmonds*, Esquires, Aldermen of the City of London, and *Iohn Lamot* and *Edward Claxton* Esquires, shall manage the Excise, during the time that both Houses have passed the Ordinance for continuing the Excise, according to such Instructions as are or shall be given by both Houses of Parliament.

Iohn Brown, Cleric. Parliamentorum.

*Hen. Elfyng*e Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

An

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
 assembled in Parliament, for discharge of the Commis-
 sioners for one yeares Accompt, ending the 11. of Sep-
 tember, 1644.

Die Veneris, 30 Iulii, 1646.

VHereas the Accompt of *Iohn Towse*, *Thomas Foot*,
Iohn Kendrick, *Thomas Cullum*, *Simon Edmonds*,
 Esquires, and Aldermen of the City of London, *Iohn*
Lamot, and *Edward Claxton* of the same, Esquires, chiefe
 Commissioners, and Governours for the whole Receipts
 of the Excise and New-Impost, established by Ordi-
 nance of Parliament, dated the eleventh of September, 1643.
 beginning the said eleventh of September 1643, and end-
 ing the eleventh of September 1644, have been duely au-
 dited, examined, and pricked over, with the Vouchers,
 Entries, and Bookes of Accompts in the severall Offices
 throughout the Kingdome, by *Thomas Fawconberge*, and
William Bond, Esquires, Auditors in that behalfe appoint-
 ed, according to the directions prescribed in and by sever-
 all Ordinances of Parliament: Which said Accompt hath
 beene likewise presented by the said Auditors unto the
 Committee of Lords and Commons for Regulating the
 Excise, and by them considered of, Examined and Al-
 lowed. Be it therefore Ordained by the Lords and Com-
 mons in Parliament Assembled, That the said, *Thomas*
Foot, *Iohn Kendrick*, *Thomas Cullum*, *Simon Edmonds*,
Iohn Lamott and *Edward Claxton*, Surviving Commis-
 sioners of Excise, their Heirs, Executors, and Admini-
 strators and every of them; and the Heires, Executors,
 and Aministrators of the said *Iohn Towse* deceased, are
 and shall be saved harmlesse and defended for any Act or
 Acts by them, or any of them, or by their Sub-commissi-
 oners, Deputies, or under Officers whatsoever, by their di-
 rection

Commis-
 sioners of Excise
 indemnified
 for any acts
 done in col-
 lecting Excise.

Commissioners of Excise discharged of the Account for the year ending 11. Sept. 1644.

Commissioners liable for debts and surcharge, for that year which they have or shall receive, and no more.

rection or any of them done in the collecting of the Excise and new Impost, and the ordering and governing thereof; And also that the said chief Commissioners and Governours of the Excise, their Executors, and Administrators, and every of them, are and shall be hereby for ever acquitted and discharged of all Receipts, Payments, Reckonings, Questions and Demands whatsoever, for one whole yeare, beginning the eleventh of September, one thousand six hundred forty three, and ending the eleventh of September, one thousand six hundred forty foure; Provided neverthelesse, that the said cheife Commissioners of Excise, shall be liable for such sums of Moneys of the Debts, and Sur-charges set over in *super* upon the Sub-Commissioners and Debtors in the said Account; or for any other Moneys due for Excise for the said yeere, as already have or hereafter shall come unto their hands, and no more.

John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, for Explanation of a former Ordinance of Parliament of the 24 of November, 1645.

Die Iovis, 6. Augusti. 1646.

20 C. weight
of Lead to be
a Fother,
Excise to be
paid by the
Smelter, as
well as

FOR the better putting in execution and explanation of an Ordinance of Parliament, dated the twenty fourth of November, in the yeare 1645, for an additionall Excise or New-Impost for payment of the Artificers, and others: Be it declared and ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That twenty hundred weight shall be accounted for one Fother of Lead, and that the Maker or smelter thereof shall be liable to the payment of Five shillings the Fother, as well as the

the first Buyer, if he be exporter thereof. That four pence shall be paid by way of Excise for every ounce Troy, and so for a greater or lesser quantity proportionable, of Silver or Gold, that any Refiner, Gold-smith, Gold-drawer, or other shall prepare, melt down, or disgrosse, or cause to be prepared, melted down, or disgrossed for Wyer, the same to be paid by every such Refiner, Gold-smith, Gold-drawer, or other, at the Bar where the same shall be disgrossed.

Buyer if he export.

Gold or Silver to be disgrossed 4 d. per ounce Troy, by the Refiner at the Bar.

That eight pence shall be paid upon every pound weight containing sixteen ounces *Averdupois*, so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity of all Copper, or other Metall that any Wyer-drawer, Gold-smith, or other shall prepare, make fit, or disgrosse, or cause to be prepared, fitted, or disgrossed for Wyer, the same in like manner to be paid by every such Wire-drawer, Gold-smith, or other at the Barre where the same shall be disgrossed.

Copper or other Metall 8 d. per li. *Averdupois*, to be paid by the Wyer-drawer at the Bar.

And bee it likewise declared and ordained by Authority aforesaid, as well for the securing, discovering, and collecting of the severall sums of money imposed and declared by this present Ordinance upon all Silver, Gold, Copper, and other metall disgrossed for Wyer, as to prevent the false making of these Commodities, and that the Excise may be levied equally upon all the makers thereof, That all Gold, Silver, Copper, and other metall to be disgrossed for Wyer as aforesaid, be brought to one certain place or places, appointed or to be appointed by the Commissioners of Excise within the City or County where such metall is prepared or fitted, and there disgrossed, and not elsewhere; and that no Bars, Benches, Screws, Engins, or other instruments for disgrossing, be used and allowed in any other place, upon forfeiture of al such Silver, Gold, Copper, or other metall as shall be found to be disgrossed elsewhere, or double the value thereof, to be levied, raised, and disposed of in such manner and form as is directed by the thirteenth and

For securing Excise, and to observe false making.

All Gold, Silver, Copper, &c. to be brought to a place, to be appointed by the Commissioners, and there, and not elsewhere, to be disgrossed.

No Bars, &c. for disgrossing, to be used in any other place, upon forfeiture of the Metall so disgrossed, or double the value thereof.

fifteenth

Allowance for
waste in dis-
grossing, as
the Commis-
sioners shall
think fit.

fifteenth Articles of the Ordinance of Excise of the 11 Sept. 1643. And for the better encouragement of all Traders and Dealers in any of the said Commodities, that for all waste shall arise and be made in the disgrossing or working of any the said Gold, Silver, Copper, and other mettall, the same being brought in like manner; and at the same place afterward melted down, such abatements and allowances shall be made and given as shall be thought fit by the Commissioners of Excise, or such as they shall appoint, under their hands and seals.

All right Sil-
ver, and Sil-
ver and Gold
Thred, to be
made up in
Skeans, and
Copper, and
Brasse, and
brought to the
Office appoin-
ted, and be sea-
led, as the
Commis-
sioners shall ap-
point,

upon penalty
of forfeiture.
No Fee to be
taken for the
service.

Gold, Silver,
and Copper
Thred, impor-
ted to pay (be-
sides the for-
mer rate)
12 d. per lb.
value, by the
first Buyer, to
be levyed and
issued as the
Ordinance
24 Novemb.
1645.

and to be sea-
led as the Na-
tives before
sale.

And for preventing of all fraude that may otherwise be practised to elude this Ordinance: Be it in like manner ordained, that all right Silver, and Silver and Gold Thred be made up into Skeans, and all Copper and Brasse Thred into Skeans, or on Quils, and brought in like manner to a certaine place or places appointed, or to be appointed by the Commissioners of Excise, there to bee marked or sealed with such marke or seale as shall be made or appointed by the said Commissioners, upon penalty of the like forfeiture before expressed. Provided, that no Officer or other shall take or demand any Fee or Reward whatsoever of any Trader or Dealer in any of the said Commodities for that service. And for the better encouragement and increase of the Manufacture in this Kingdome. Be it likewise ordained, That all Gold, Silver, and Copper Thred imported, or to be imported, shall pay by way of Excise and New-Impost, in every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity, (besides the Rate already imposed) twelve pence, the same to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant, Importer, or Ingrosser; and shall be received, collected, and issued forth in such manner, and to such intents and purposes as are appointed and directed by the said Ordinance of the 24 of November last first, above mentioned. And likewise that the same before sale thereof, be sealed and marked in like manner as the native Silver,

ver, and Silver and Gold Thred, upon penalty of like Forfeiture as is before expressed, without any Fee or Reward also had or given to any Officer employed for that service. And it is further ordained and declared by Authority aforesaid, That all Linseed-oyle, Whale-oyle, Rape-oyle, Pilchard, and all other Oyles made and spent in this Kindome, formerly set at twelve pence, shall now pay onely six pence upon every twenty shillings value, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity, to be paid also by the first Buyer, and the Maker to accompt every Month for all Oyls made and delivered, upon pain of five pounds to be forfeited and leavied by Distresse for every default therein.

Upon penalty of forfeiture, and no Fee to be taken for the service.

Linseed-oyle, shall be from 12 d. brought to 6 d. per li. value, by the first Buyer,

the maker to accompt monthly, upon 5 li. penalty.

That the Excise of six pence, charged upon every twenty shillings value of Silks Dyed, besides the twelve pence at first imposed, was and is intended, and hereby declared to be received and leavyed on Silk Dyed; and that the same, as also the Excise of three pence upon every twenty shillings value of Silk in the Gums already thown, shall be paid by the respective first Buyer thereof.

Silks Dyed 6 d. upon the value, above the 12 d. formerly,

the 3 d. upon Silk in Gum ready thown, to be paid for both, by the first buyer.

That the severall and respective Rates of Excise laid and imposed on the severall and respective sorts of Sope made in this Kindome, over and besides what the same were at first charged with, and ordained to be paid by the first Buyer, shall be all respectively paid by the Maker thereof; and likewise that the addition of eighteen pence the Firkin made to the eighteen pence before imposed on Sope imported, be taken off the Firkin, and paid and levyed on every twenty shillings value thereof, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser quantity, by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

Sopes native to be paid, by the maker,

Sope imported to be levied upon the value, by the first buyer.

And lastly, That all Lamperns for bait of Cod-fish, rated at ten shillings the thousand, shall pay only twelve pence in the thousand Excise.

Lamperns from 10 s. to pay 1 s. per thousand.

John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Ellynge Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

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Die Lunæ 22. Febr. 1646.

A Declaration of the Lords and Commons
 Assembled in Parliament, to the whole Kingdome,
 Concerning the Excise; with additionall Instructions
 for the better regulating the same.

Tumults and
 Ryots against
 the Excise.

THe Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament taking notice of the many Tumults and great Ryots which have of late happened, and been privily fomented in severall parts of the Kingdome against the Receipts and Collections of the Excise, by the secret and subtile designs and practices of Malignants, and such who by their false and feigned pretences doe endeavour to breed a mis-understanding and impatience in the people; have for the better manifesting of the justice of their proceeding, and reality of their intentions, thought fit to make this Declaration to the whole Kingdome.

Excise raised
 for preservation
 of Religion,
 Laws and Li-
 berties.

THat as nothing did or could have drawn them to resolve upon this Imposition but the preservation of this Kingdom, the Religion, Laws, and Liberties from utter ruine and destruction, all which at that time was threatned by the restlesse and cruell Designes, Practices and Treacheries of Papists and malignant Persons: so they could then finde no other meanes, after the well affected had so willingly borne so many great Levyes, which the Malignants had endeavoured by all cunning wayes to evade, how any longer to maintain the Parliament-Forces, and other great affairs of the Common-wealth, and to draw in the Malignants and Neutrals to bear their proportionable parts of the charge, then by some such constant and indifferent way. And what great difficulties, expences and charges

To make Ma-
 lignants and
 Neutrals bear
 their parts of
 the charges.

charges the said Lords and Commons have by the Receipt and Credit of the Excise, with some other helps as occasion did require, been enabled ever since through Gods blessing, to overcome and maintain, by continually keeping on foot so many severall Armies, as they were by the Kings party in Arms against the Parliament, enforced to raise in divers parts of the Kingdome, by maintaining so many Garisons, by relieving of *Ireland* from time to time, when other Supplies could not be timely raised, by satisfying our Brethren of *Scotland* in part, Is by this time so evident to the whole Kingdome, that they hope no well affected person can or will look back upon what he hath contributed in this way for his part, with any regret or repining, as if the same had, or can be fruitlesse to him or his Posterity. And for the present continuance of this Leavy; when it shall be considered for what great Sums, and to how many well-affected persons they have already ingaged the Excise for Moneys borrowed, and justly due unto them, what expences they must yet be at, before they can settle this Kingdom, what charges are requisite to reduce the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and what great ingagements doe otherwise lye upon the Parliament for many supplies and services, for satisfying whereof, the Publick Faith, and Honour of the Parliament and Kingdom is engaged; they are confident that no well-affected or understanding person can or will desire or expect that this Levy, which they still finde the most equall and indifferent course to goe through so many great affairs, should cease, while the Parliament is thus deeply engaged, and have so many pressing occasions for Moneys, for the necessary support and preservation of the Kingdome.

And therefore the said Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament do hereby declare to the whole Kingdom, That they shall and do expect that all persons whatsoever, shall duely pay all sums of Money imposed by any Ordinance of Parliament by way of Excise upon all and every the Commodities, Merchandizes, and things therein mentioned

The difficulties and charges, overcome by the Excise.

Maintaining Armies, Garisons, relieving *Ireland*, satisfying the Scots.

The continuance of Excise, for satisfying great Sums, lent on it by well affected persons.

Expences for settling *England*, reducing *Ireland*.

Satisfying Publick Faith.

All persons duly to pay Excise.

According to
the Rules set,
till further
Order of Par-
liament.

and comprised, and that the same Ordinances shall be duly observed, according to the Rules therein prescribed, untill further Order of both Houses of Parliament: Whereunto the said Lords and Commons doe hereby require all persons to yeeld all ready obedience, conformity and assistance; accordingly as they tender the Honour of the Parliament, the welfare of the Kingdome, and as they would approve themselves well-affected to both.

Excise hitherto
employed
for publick uses,
and not
diverted to
private.

And wee the said Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, to manifest our constant and sincere intentions in the continuance of the Receipt of the Excise, doe hereby declare, That as hitherto the Revenue thereof hath been wholly imployed for the publick uses and occasions of the Kingdome, and diverted to no private use whatsoever: so they are still resolved to dispose thereof in the same publick and necessary services of the Commonwealth only; and shall no longer continue this charge upon the Subject, then they shall find the publick Affairs where-with they are intrusted necessarily to require the same. And when it shall please God by the continuance of his mercy to enable them to settle the peace of the Kingdome, and to overcome the engagements thereof in some good measure, they shall then make it appeare to the whole world, how much more ready they are to ease the People of this Chage, then they were willing at first to impose the same.

And still so to
be disposed;
not longer to
be constrain-
ed then pub-
lick necessity
requires.

Which when
overcome, the
Parliament
will be ready
to ease the
people of this
charge.

For ease of the
people, indiffe-
rent Rules
made.

Commissioners
and Of-
ficers of Ex-
cise to observe
the same.

In the mean time, and to the end that they may give all possible ease to the people, where the nature of such a Leavy, and the just and most indifferent Rules which must necessarily be used and observed in the raising of the same, will admit thereof; they have, for the better regulation of this Receipt, and for restraining of arbitrary and exorbitant power, resolved for the present on the Instructions and Rules ensuing; And doe hereby require the Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-commissioners, and all other their Collectors, and under Officers, duely to observe the same. And according as they the said Lords and Commons

Commons shall further discover any further Inconvenience or pressures upon the people in the leavying of the Excise, it shall be their continuall care to finde out such sitting remedies for the ease of them, and removing of all just grievances, as shall be a sufficient testimony to the whole Kingdome, how ready they are to answer the great trust reposed in them, and to let the people enjoy the long expected fruits of their great expences and contributions.

If either inconveniencies happen, the Parliament will redresse them.

And the said Lords and Commons doe hereby further declare and Ordain, That for the better and due punishment of all such Tumults, Ryots, and unlawfull Assemblies, all Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Mayors, Bailiffs, and all other his Majesties Officers within the Kingdome of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, aswell within Liberties as without, within their severall Counties, Liberties, and Jurisdictions, respectively, do from time to time make diligent enquiry of all Tumults, Ryots, and other unlawfull Assemblies as have been, or from time to time shall be made, done, or committed against the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, or any of their Officers, or others, in their aid and assistance in the execution of the severall Ordinances of Excise, and all such persons as have or shall make or cause such Tumults or Ryots, to apprehend, and to commit to prison, and to punish according to Law.

For punishment of Tumults, Ryots, &c.

Justices of the Peace, &c.

To make enquiry after Riots, &c. against Officers of Excise.

And to punish offenders according to Law,

And in case any Tumult or Ryot be hereafter attempted or acted against the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, Collectors or Officers, or others in their aid and assistance: It is hereby further ordained and declared, That for the better aiding and assisting the said Commissioners of Excise, their severall Sub-Commissioners, Officers, and others in their aid and assistance, in pursuance of the said Ordinance of Parliament for the leavying of Excise, all Sheriffs, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bailiffs, Constables, Headboroughs, and all other his Majesties Officers in their severall Counties, Liberties, and Jurisdictions; all Colonels, Captains, Officers and

Justices, &c.

Colonels &c.

and all others
to be aiding in
suppressing
Tumults.

Indemnity
for the same.

and Souldiers, and all other his Majesties Subjects, be aiding and assisting from time to time upon notice to them given for suppressing of all such Tumults, Riots, and unlawfull Assemblies, and in apprehending and bringing to condign punishment all such Rioters and Offenders according to Law, and in aiding and assisting the said Commissioners, their Sub-Commissioners, and Officers, and others in their aid and assistance in the execution of the said Ordinances for Excise. And all such as shall be so ayding and assisting, shall be defended, and saved harmelesse and indemnified by Authority of both Houses of Parliament.

Die Luna 22. February, 1646.

Additional Instructions Concerning the EXCISE.

I.

Excise and
Arrears to
be levied but
from the time
of putting in
execution the
Ordinances in
each County.
&c.

That no Excise, or Arrears of any Excise, due for any goods Excisable, consumed or spent, be henceforth demanded, levied or collected by any Officer or Collector of Excise, due by any person before such time as the Ordinances of Excise have or shall begin to be put in execution in the severall Counties or Cities, or any part of the said Counties.

II.

The Excise to
be levied, du-
ring the time,
the place were
in power of the
Enemy.

That no Excise, or any arrears of Excise be from henceforth demanded, levied, or collected by any Officer or Collector of Excise, for any Excise that did grow due by any person, for any Goods within any County, City, Town, or Place, during the time such County, City, Town, or Place, were under the power of the Enemy.

III. That

III.

That the Excise of Ale and Beer be raised and levied upon the Subjects of this Kingdome, as is prescribed and directed by the severall Ordinances of Parliament for the assessing, raising, and collecting thereof, and not by way of poll, or otherwise, unlesse it be where any person or persons have, or shall at their own desire and free consent, and for such time onely as they shall so desire and consent unto, in writing, compound by the poll, or otherwise, for Beer and Ale brewed in their owne houses, and consumed by themselves and family within their owne houses.

Excise of Ale and Beer to be levied, as directed by Ordinance for private families.

And not by poll or otherwise.

Except the person desire, and for such time only in writing.

IV.

That upon complaint made upon Oath to any the Justices of Peace of any County of this Kingdome, or to any Mayor, Bailiffe, or chief Officer in any City or Town Corporate of the Kingdom of *England*, or Dominion of *Wales*, That the Sub-Commissioners of Excise, their Officers or Servants, or any of them, under colour or pretext of the trust in them reposed, and power given by the severall Ordinances of Parliament, have or shall oppresse and abuse the people, by exacting or compelling them to pay more or greater sums of money then is appointed by the severall Ordinances of Excise, or fine and imprison contrary to the said Ordinances, or to have converted or employed the money by them collected to their own uses, or to any other use then is appointed by the said Ordinances, or otherwise abuse the said Trusts and Power given them; That the said Justices, Mayors, Bayliffs, and chief Officers have Authority, and are hereby required to send for the Parties and Witnesses, and to examine the Witnesses upon Oath, giving notice to the Parties of the time of examining the said Witnesses; and the Examination so taken upon Oath, to send up in writing, sealed up, and subscribed by the hand of the Justice of Peace, or other chief Officer before whom the said Examination shall be taken

Upon complaint to any Justice, &c.

the Officers of Excise do

oppress or abuse the people.

or divert the monies received.

The Justices, &c. to send for parties and witnesses, and to examine,

and to transmit the examination sealed up.

within 20.
dayes after
complaint
made to the
Parliament or
Committee
for Excise,

who will pu-
nish the Of-
fenders.

taken from time to time, within twenty dayes after the complaint made, to both or either House of Parliament, or to the Committee of Lords and Commons for regulating the Excise, sitting at the Star-Chamber *Westminster*, who shall and will proceed to the consideration of the said Offences, and to the severe and due punishment of the said Offenders as to justice shall appertain.

V.

Justices &c.
refusing pay-
ment,

or affronting
the Officers
of Excise :

The Justices
&c. upon the
place to exa-
mine and cer-
tifie within
20. dayes to
the Parlia-
ment, or
Committee,

to be punished
by them.

That in case any Justice of Peace, Deputy-Lieutenant, or any of the Committees within the severall Counties of this Kingdome shall refuse or wilfully neglect to pay the Excise by them due and payable, and to conforme to the orders and directions in the severall Ordinances of Excise, or that shall affront or publickly abuse the said Sub-Commissioners of Excise, or their Officer, within the said respective Counties, in the execution of their severall duties and places according to the Ordinances of Excise : That the Deputie-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Bayliffs, or other chief Officers within the said Counties, Cities, and Places, or any of them, upon notice, and request to them made by the said Sub-Commissioners, or any of them, doe examine the same upon Oath, and thereof within twenty dayes certifie in writing the said Houses of Parliament, or either of them, or the Committee of Lords and Commons for regulating the Excise, who will proceed thereupon against such persons, as to Justice shall appertain, according to their demerits.

VI.

Almes people
to pay no Ex-
cise for the
Beer they
brew for their
families.

That no person taking Almes or Collection shall be compelled to pay Excise for any Ale or Beer that is or shall be brewed in their owne houses, and consumed by themselves and family within their own houses.

Io. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Die

Die Veneris, 11. Iunii, 1647.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that the Excise of Flesh be taken off from and after the four and twentieth day of this instant June, and that from and after the said day the said Excise cease, and be no longer paid.

Excise of
Flesh taken off
from 24 June,
1647.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That the Excise of Salt made in this Kingdom be taken off from and after the four and twentieth day of this instant June, and that from and after the said day the said Excise cease, and be no longer paid.

Excise of Na-
tive Salt taken
off from 24.
June, 1647.

John Brown, Cleric. Parliamentorum.

Hen. Elsynge Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Die Veneris 23. Iuly 1647.

VWhereas by an Ordinance of Parliament dated the eighth of *Iuly 1644*, an Additionall Excise of some Commodities not formerly excised, was to be levied upon the Commodities in the said Ordinance expressed, and by the said Ordinance appointed to be paid to severall uses; amongst which, the sixth part was appointed to be paid to *Sir Gilbert Gerbard* Baronet, then Treasurer at Wars for payment of the Land-forces: By the Ordinance of the third of *August* following, and since by two other Ordinances dated the tenth of *May*, and the eleventh of *June 1645*, the receipt and payment of the said sixth part (with others) was transferred to *William Greenhill*, and the rest of the Treasurers for the sick and maimed Souldiers and Widows, to be paid to the uses above expressed, and to be issued out according to such warrant and direction as should from time to time be made by the Committee of the Army, or any four of them under their hands, as by the aforelaid Ordinances of the tenth of *May*

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and

and the eleventh of *June* 1645. doth and may appear.

One sixth part
of the Excise,
8. *July* 1647.
formerly for
payment of
Land-Forces.

To be paid to
the Treasurers
for maimed
Souldiers.

It is this day ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That the aforesaid one sixth part of the Receipt of the aforesaid Additionall Excise from the last of *Septemb.* next in the yeare 1647, and so forwards, which was formerly appointed for payment of Land-Forces, be issued and paid forth by the Commissioners of Excise to the Treasurers of maimed Souldiers, or any other two of them, for the relief and maintenance of the sick and maimed Souldiers, and widowes, and fatherlesse children of such as have been slain in the service of the Parliament, notwithstanding the above said former Ordinances. And that the acquittance of the said Treasurers of the maimed Souldiers, or any two of them, shall be a sufficient discharge to the Commissioners of Excise for the payment thereof accordingly.

John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

**An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
Assembled in Parliament.**

Die Veneris, 13. Iulii, 1647

One Moiety
of all Fines to
the maimed
Souldiers.

The ether
Moiety to

THe Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, being informed of the pressing necessities of many poor Widows, who have lost their Husbands in the service of the Common-wealth, and many maimed Souldiers that have received their wounds in the said Service; towards supply of whose necessities, It is Ordered and Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That of all Fines and Forfeitures levied and raised for Non-payment, or otherwise, touching the Excise, by vertue of any Ordinance or Ordinances of Parliament whatsoever; the one Moiety thereof shall be employed towards the maintenance of Widows and maymed Souldiers; and the other Moiety to

to the Discoverers, or such person or persons which shall give information of any abuse committed by any person or persons contrary to the said Ordinances of Parliament touching the Excise, or any of them: And the Commissioners of Excise, and New Impost, are hereby authorized and required to pay the Moiety appointed for maymed Souldiers as aforesaid, unto *William Greenhill, John Pococke, John Randall, and Richard Hutchinson*, Treasurers appointed for that purpose, or any two of them; and the other Moiety to the discoverers, or persons that shall give information of abuses as aforesaid: And the Receipts of the respective Treasurers and discoverers shall be the Commissioners of Excise their sufficient discharge for payment of the respective Moieties, for the use and purposes aforesaid. And it is further Ordained, that this Ordinance shall be of force from the Eleventh of *June* 1645. And all the Profits arising upon forfeiture in the Excise shall be disposed to the uses afore-mentioned from that time.

The Discoverers.

The maymed Souldery to be paid to Mr. *Greenhill* and the Treasurers.

The Ordinance to be of force from 11. *June* 1645.

Io. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Two Ordinances or Declarations of the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament for re-establishing the duty of Excise upon all Commodities Except Flesh and Salt made in the Kingdome.

Die Sabbathi, 28 Augusti, 1647.

THE Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled by their late taking off the Excise wholly from Flesh, and discharging all Salt made in this Kingdom from payment of Excise, were confident they had given so full a testimony to the whole Kingdome of their readinesse to ease all people, so farre as might stand with the support of the Publick, that they expected, That all persons would have with patience attended the time of the Parliament

The Parliament expected by taking off the Excise of Flesh and Salt they have shewed their willingness to ease the people.

And that the
rest of the Ex-
cise would
have been duly
paid.

But finding
still Ryots,
violence, &c.
against the
Officers.

The Receipts
of the Excise,
cannot yet
with honour
to the Parlia-
ment, or safety
to the Nation,
be taken off.

Due confor-
mity required.

For the neces-
sities of the
continuance

for the removall of the rest; and in the interim have duely paid the severall Duties of Excise upon all other Commodities, and submitted unto all Ordinances of Parliament in that behalfe; But being dayly informed of the generall opposition which is made against the Collections of those Duties of the Excise which they have thought fit for some time to continue, and the many violences, injuries and abuses that are offered to the Comissioners, Sub-Comissioners, and other Officers and Receivers thereof, in many Cities, Towns, Counties and Places of the Kingdom; The said Lords and Commons doe therefore hereby Declare, that as they have not taken off any part of the Excise, but only from Flesh and Salt made in the Kingdom as afore-said; so they cannot yet, in respect of the great Debt, and many Payments for which these continued Receipts of the Excise are engaged and designed, neither in Justice or Honour, nor with the safety of the Kingdome surcease the rest; but must expect, and if they be put unto it, must require obedience and conformity from all persons whatsoever unto the due payment of all and every of them, according to the Ordinances of Parliament in that behalf made. What causes did inforce the Parliament at first to resolve upon this Imposition, and for what reasons they are necessitated to continue the same, are fully set down in the Declaration of both Houses of Parliament of the 22 of February 1646, upon occasion of the great Tumults and great Ryots which then lately before had happened, and were privily fomented in severall parts of the Kingdom against the Receipts of Excise; and the same necessity for continuance thereof lying still upon the Parliament, and the Tumults and Riots in opposition thereunto rather being increased then suppressed; The said Lords and Commons cannot but deeply resent the great neglect of the Authority of Parliament among the People; and if they shall continue in this obstinacy, shall be inforced upon such remedies, as shall speedily bring the Contemners thereof unto condign and exemplary punishment: but they do-
hope

hope all wel-affected persons will after publication of this present Declaration, and upon review of the said Declaration of the 22 of *February* 1646, before mentioned, which therefore they have ordered to be re-printed and published herewith, be so sensible of their own miscarriages, and so fully satisfied of the Parliaments intentions in the continuance of these receipts, that they will presently conform unto the payment of all Duties of Excise, due or payable by all and every of them, according to the Ordinances of Parliament, and not divert the Parliament from those great Affairs for the settlement of the Peace of the whole Kingdom, upon which they are at present ingaged, by enforcing them to such courses, for vindicating the authority of their Ordinances, as must needs hinder the Parliament in this great Work, but will also be severely accompted for with the causers thereof. For as this Duty is by experience found to be the most easie and equall way, both in relation to the People and to the Publick; so the Lords and Commons are resolved through all opposition whatsoever, to insist upon the due collection thereof: But when it shall please God to inable them to settle the Peace of the Kingdom, and to overcome the Engagements and occasions thereof in some good measure, they doe hereby againe declare, That they will then make it appeare to the whole World, how much more ready they are to ease the people of this charge then they ever could be willing to impose the same.

This duty found most easie and equall.

And for the speedy re-establishing of this Receipt according to the Ordinances of Parliament, or the more vigorous carrying on thereof; The said Lords and Commons do hereby require and enjoin the Commisisoners of Excise, their Subcommissioners, Collectors, and Officers, forthwith to apply themselves in all parts throughout the Kingdom, to the due Collection of the Excise by severall Ordinances continued; wherein, as they are hereby required to provide as far as conveniently may be for the ease of the people in their repair and travel unto such Places as they shal through every Hundred or Wapentake appoint, for the bringing in

Officers required to proceed in Collection.

With due care of ease to the people, in respect of their travell.

of

The people to
conform at
their perill.

Sheriffs &c. to
be aiding in
suppreſſing
Ryots.

Lord Gene-
rall. &c. to
ſuppreſſe Tu-
mults.

Charge of
Collection a-
mounted not
20 s. per p.

of this Duty; ſo in caſe of neglect of appearance, all perſons are to take notice, That if any farther Charge or trouble befall them, it ariſeth from their own default, and ſo muſt expect no other reliefe, but to be proceeded againſt according to the Ordinances of Parliament: In the due and vigorous execution whereof, if any Tumults, Riots, or other opposition ſhall be hereafter attempted or acted againſt the ſaid Commiſſioners of Excife, their Sub-Commiſſioners, Collectors, Officers or others in their aid and aſſiſtance; It is farther Ordained, That all Sheriffs, Juſtices of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenants, Maiors, Bayliſſs, Conſtables, Head-boroughs, and all other His Majesties Officers in their ſeverall Counties, Liberties and Jurifdictions, are alſo hereby ſtrictly enjoyned to be aiding and aſſiſting in the Collections of the Excife, and ſuppreſſing of all Tumults and Riots raiſed in opposition thereunto, according to the ſeverall Ordinances of Parliament in that behalfe made, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their utmoſt perill.

And *Sir Thomas Fairfax*, Generall of the whole Forces of the Kingdome, is hereby deſired to order and enjoin all Colonels, Captains, Officers and Souldiers under his command, upon application made to them, or any of them, ſpeedily to ſuppreſſe all ſuch Tumults, Riots, or unlawfull Aſſemblies, and to apprehend all ſuch Rioters, and tumultuous perſons, that they may be proceeded againſt according to Law. And forasmuch as ſuch as are diſaffected to the ſervice of the Publick, have, and doe give out, as if the charge of the Collection of the Excife were ſo great, as that half the receipt and In-come were conſumed upon Officers; the ſaid Lords and Commons do hereby declare, that upon an exact examination it doth cleerly appeare unto the Parliament, and they are well ſatisfied (whereof they aſſure the Kingdom) that untill theſe late Obſtructions and Oppositions, the charge in collecting the Excife hath never amounted upon the whole receipt to full two ſhillings upon every twenty ſhillings received.

And

And that the whole Kingdome may be fully possessed of what great service the Receipts of the Excise have been to the Common-wealth, the said Lords and Commons doe hereby declare, That towards the relief of *Ireland*, satisfaction of their Brethren of *Scotland*, maintenance of their Navy, and severall Armies and Garrisons which they were necessitated to raise and keepe up in divers parts of the Kingdome for the preservation thereof; and in disbanding and discharging of severall Armies, Forces and Garisons, and for the reliefe of wounded and maimed Souldiers, and the Widows and Children of such as have lost their lives in the service of the Common-wealth; and for other necessary occasions for the defence of the Parliament and Kingdom, there hath been clearly received and converted to the Publick services only, and to no private use whatsoever, the Sum of One Million three hundred thirty four thousand five hundred thirty two pounds ten shillings and eleven pence half-peny: and by the Credit of this Receipt, there hath been taken up and stands assigned divers very great Sums of Money; all which must be discharged before this Receipt can in Justice and Honour be laid down; and if the Kingdome doe duly submit unto the payment of the Excise, wil in short time be very wel overcome and paid off: And from hence it will be clearly apparent, of what great benefit the same hath been to the Kingdome, and ease also to the people, of whom these great Sums must otherwise necessarily have been raised, although with much difficulty and inconvenience, and in a far more burthensome manner.

And lastly, The said Lords and Commons doe hereby ordain and declare, That as well the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners and under-Officers, as all other persons whatsoever, who shall be aiding and assisting to them, or any of them, in the executing of the Ordinances of Parliament for the collection of the Excise, shall be defended and saved harmlesse and indemnified by Authority of both Houses of Parliament.

For releif of
Ireland, satis-
fying the Scots,
maintenance
of the Navy,
Armies and
Garrisons.

Disbanding
Forces.

Relief of mal-
med Souldi-
ers.

And other ne-
cessary occasi-
ons for the
Publick, and
to no private
use there hath
been received.

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10 s. 11 d. ob.

Divers great
Sums borrow-
ed upon the
Credit, to be
satisfied be-
fore taken off.

Indemnity
to Officers
and others.

liament. And in case any person or persons whatsoever, shall be sued, indicted, prosecuted, or molested for any act or acts, thing or things, done in pursuance of this Declaration, or any other Declaration or Ordinance of Parliament touching Excise; It is hereby Declared and Ordained, That in every Action, Suit, Indictment, Information, or Prosecution whatsoever, wherein or whereby they are or shall be so sued, indicted, prosecuted, or molested as aforesaid: It shall be lawfull to, and for all persons, their Heires, Executors, and Administrators, to plead the generall Issue, and to give this, or any other Ordinance of Parliament for Excise in evidence in any of his Majesties Courts of Justice, or other Courts; and the Judges of all the said Courts, are hereby strictly required and enjoyned to allow and admit of the same accordingly.

*John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.
H. Elsynge Cler. Parl. D. Com.*

Die Iovis 2 Septemb. 1647.

Sheriffs to
publish and
proclaim the
Declaration
concerning the
Excise.

ORdered by the Commons in Parliament assembled, That the respective Sheriffs of the severall Counties, Cities, and Places, be hereby enjoyned and required, that they doe as well proclaim as publish the Declarations concerning the Excise, Ordered on Friday last to be published by the said Sheriffs in the severall Market Towns, upon the respective Market=dayes.

H. Elsynge, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Hereas it hath pleased the Right Honourable the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, in, and by their Declaration of the 28 of *August* last, concerning the Excise, to appoint me to order and enjoyn all Colonels, Captaines, Officers and Souldiers under my Com-

Lord Generals Order for assistance.

mand, upon application made to them, or any of them, speedily to suppress all Tumults, Ryots, and unlawfull Assemblies which shall be attempted or acted in opposition against the Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, Collectors, or Officers, in execution of the Ordinances of Parliament for the Excise, and to apprehend all such Ryoters, and tumultuous persons, that they may be proceeded against according to law.

In pursuance whereof, I doe hereby require all Colonels, Captains, Officers and Souldiers under my Command, upon application from time to time of the said Commissioners of the Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, Collectors, or Officers, unto them or any of them, to be aiding and assisting as well in preventing of such Tumults and Ryots as in the suppressing thereof. *Given under my Hand and Seal the fourth day of September, 1647.*

Tho. Fairfax.

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Die Martis 11. Iuly, 1648.

VHereas the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, have been necessitated to take up and anticipate severall great summes of money, for the service of the Parliament, upon the credit of the receipts of the Excise, established and still in force by severall Ordinances of Parliament, and upon occasion of such levies made unto them, have declared that they would continue the same receipts of the Excise untill principall and interest were fully discharged, which cannot be yet compassed by reason that the receipts of the Excise have for many moneths past been very much obstructed, and so fallen very much short of what was expected, if the same could have been duely levied; and fore-seeing that besides the satisfying of those engagements it will be necessary to continue the same receipts of the Excise, the better to inable them to goe through the great worke of establishing the Peace of the Kingdome, upon which they are at present ingaged, and for the better easing of the people upon whom the charge of so great a work must otherwise lye, and be raised with much difficulty and inconvenience, and in a farre more burthensome manner; The Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, doe hereby ordaine that the severall receipts of the Excise and New-Impost now in force, formerly appointed by ordinance of the eleventh of *September*, 1643. commonly called the Grand Excise; So much of the Ordinance dated the ninth of *January*, 1643. concerning forreigne made Salt imported, the Additionall Excise and New-Impost appointed by Ordinance dated the eighth of *Iuly*, 1644. And the last Additionall Ordinance for the levying Excise upon Lead, Gold, Silver, and Copper-Wyer, &c. dated the foure and twentieth of *November*, 1645. And all other Orders, Declarations, and Ordinances of Parliament now in force, made in explanation, or for the better regulating
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All Excise
now in force.

all and every the said receipts, be yet continued from and after the nine and twentieth day of September, in the year of our Lord 1648. untill the nine and twentieth day of September, which shall be in the year of our Lord God 1650. to be mannaged by such Persons and in such manner as both Houses of Parliament shall thinke fit, whereof as all persons whatsoever are hereby required to take due notice and yeeld obedience thereunto accordingly, so the said Lords and Commons doe declare, that whensoever they shall find the affaires of this Kingdome to be in such a condition, which they shall especially and earnestly endeavour, as may admit of the utter abolishing or lessening thereof, they will upon all occasions embrace the same, and shew how ready they are to give all possible ease unto the people.

Continued
from 29. Sep.
1648. to 29.
Sept. 1650.

John Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Die Veneris, 22. September, 1648.

IT is Ordered and Ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That *Thomas Foot, John Kendrick, Thomas Cullum* and *Simon Edmonds* Esquires, Aldermen of the City of London, and *John Lamot* and *Edward Claxton*, Esquires, shall manage the Excise untill the five and twentieth of March, 1649. or untill both Houses of Parliament take further Order; according to such instructions as are or shall be given by both Houses of Parliament.

Alderman
Foot, &c.
continued
Commissioners
till 25.
March, 1649.

or the Parlia-
ment take fur-
ther Order.

John Brown, Cleric. Parliamentorum.

Hen. Elfyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Die Sabbathi, 10 Martii, 1648.

The present
Commissioners continu-
ed till 24.
June, 1649. or
the House take
further Order.

ORdered by the Commons assembled in Parliament; That the present Commissioners for the receipt of the Excise, be continued with the like powers as formerly, untill the four and twentyeth of June next, unlesse the House shall in the mean time take other order for the better management thereof.

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

Die Martis, 12. Junii, 1649,

Salt not made
within Eng-
land, or the
Dominions
thereof, ad-
judged for-
rain, and to
pay 1 d. per
gallon, from
12. June,
1649.

BE it Enacted and Declared by this present Par-
liament, and it is enacted and declared by Autho-
rity of the same, That all Salt not made within
this Common-wealth of England, or the Dominions
thereof, is taken and adjudged to be forrain Salt,
and shall pay one penny upon every Gallon for Ex-
cise as forrain Salt doth, from this instant 12 of June,
1649. the same to be paid by the first Buyer; And that
the Commissioners of Excise, and their Officers do
take care to receive the same accordingly, any Law,
Statute, or Order to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ordered by the Commons assembled in Parliament,
That this Act be forthwith Printed and Published.

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

Die Sabbathi, 16. Junii. 1649.

An ACT concerning Bonds for Custome and Excise.

FO: the better preventing the many mischiefs and
inconveniencies that daily happen for want of
due and speedy remedy for many lawfull Debts due
to the Common-wealth for Customs and Excise, Be
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it Enacted and Ordained by this present Parlia-
 ment, and by Authority thereof, That all Bonds, All Bonds concerning Customs.
 Bills, or writings obligatory, to be made for or con-
 cerning the Customs or Impositions set by autho-
 rity of Parliament upon any goods or merchan-
 dize imported or exported by any persons whatloe-
 ver, or for and concerning the Excise, and impositi- or Excise,
 ons of Excise set by authority of Parliament, or for
 or concerning any Bonds, Bills, or writings obliga-
 tory to be made by any Officer or Collector of, for,
 or concerning the said Duties of Customs or Excise, from and af-
ter 16. June,
16. 9. to be
made to Cu-
stod. Libertat'
Angl. &c.
 shall from and after the 16 of June, in this present
 year of our Lord, 1649. be made and taken in the
 name of Custodes Libertat' Angliae Authoritat' Parlia-
 ment'; And that as well the said Bonds, Bills, and
 writings obligatory to be made as abovesaid, Then, and all
formerly
made, concer-
ning Customs
or Excise,
 and all other Bonds, Bills, and writings
 Obligatory, heretofore made since the beginning
 of this present Parliament, for or concerning the
 said Duties of Customs or Excise as abovesaid, shall
 and may be returned into the court of Exchequer, by
 all such Officers and other person or persons in
 whose hands and custody such Bonds, Bills, or wri-
 tings do or shall remain; And be it further Enacted
 and Ordained by authority of Parliament, That all
 powers and authorities given and declared by the
 severall Statutes made in the 33. year of King Hen-
 ry the 8. in the 7. year of Edward the 6. and in the 13.
 year of Queen Elizabeth, or by any other law or act
 of Parliament to the court of Exchequer, or to the
 Judges, Officers, or Ministers of the same Court, or-lawfully
used there for
Process, &c.
 or by the custome and usage of the said Court of Ex-
 chequer, is, or have been lawfully used for the awar-
 ding of Proesse, and all other proceedings for the for levying
Debts, char-
ging and dis-
charging
Debts,
 levying, raising and answering of the Debts and
 Duties in the said Laws and Statutes mentioned,
 and for the doing of all other things concerning the
 charge to be used,

for the Customs and
Excise, or the
Bonds made,
or so be made
concerning
them.

charge or Discharge of the said Debts and Duties, shall and may be used by the said Judges, Officers, or Ministers of the same Court, and all other Officers and persons whatsoever, to all intents and purposes, for the levying, raising and answering, charging or discharging of the said debts and duties, of, for, or concerning the said Customs and Excise, or any Bonds, Bills, or other Writings obligatory, made, or to be made, for, or concerning the same, as abovesaid, and returned into the said Court of Exchequer as abovesaid, in as full and ample manner to all intents and purposes, as for any debt or duty in any of the said Statutes or Laws mentioned as abovesaid.

Ordered by the Commons assembled in Parliament,
That this Act be forthwith Printed and Published,

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

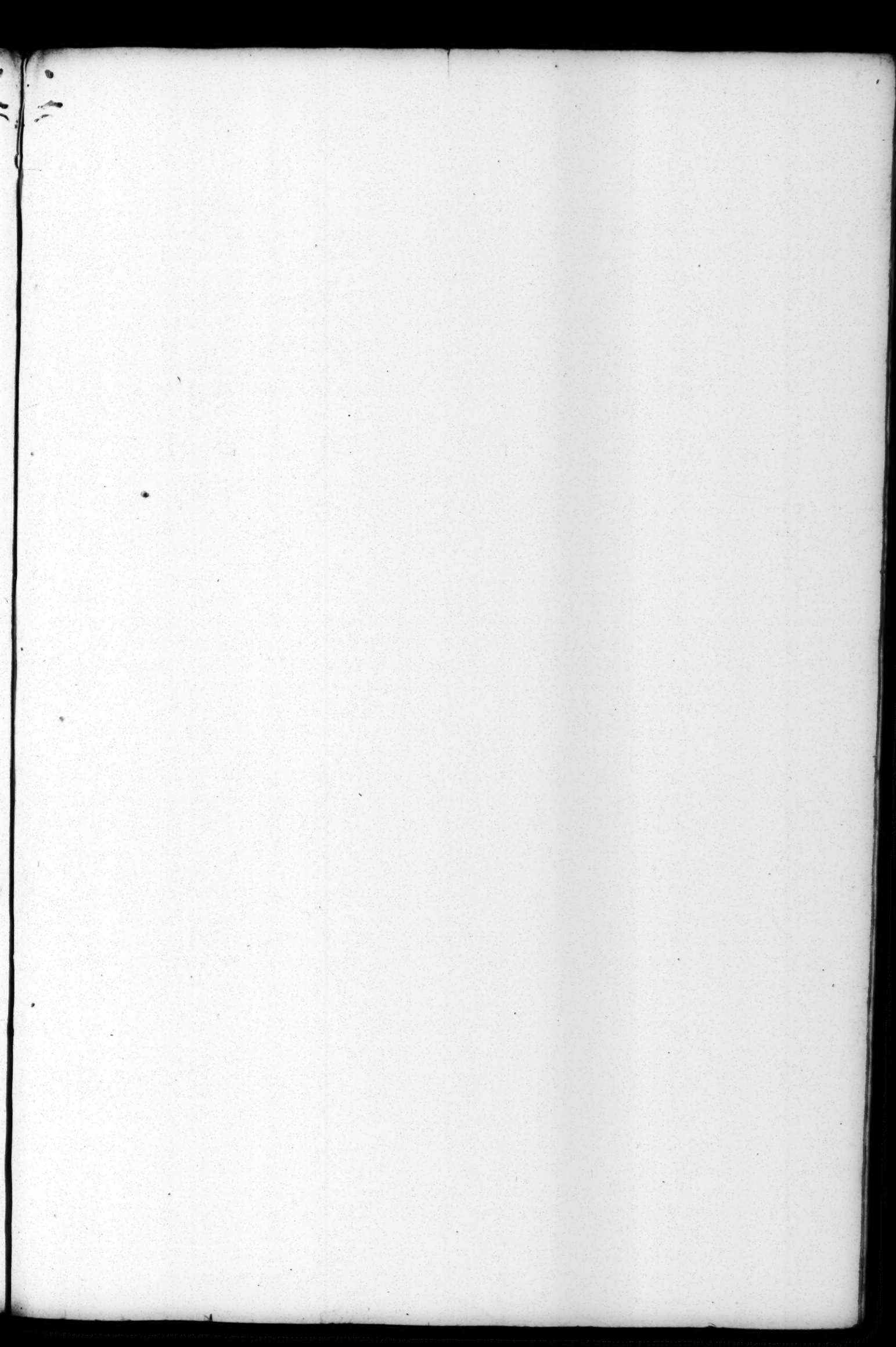
Die Sabbathi 16. Junii, 1649.

Commissioners of Excise
continued til
25. December
1649. or the
Parliament
take further
Order.

Resolved upon the question by the Commons Assembled in Parliament, That this House doth agree with the Committee of Excise, That the Commissioners of Excise now in being, be continued in their respective places, untill the 25 day of December next; unless this House shall take further Order to the contrary.

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

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AN ACT

OF THE

Commons of England

In PARLIAMENT Assembled;

For the speedy raising and levying of Mo-
nies by way of NEW-IMPOST
or EXCISE.



Die Martis, 14. Augusti, 1649,

O*Rdered by the Commons assembled in Parliament, that this
Act be forthwith Printed and Published.*

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

London, Printed by Gartrude Dawson, and Matthew Simmons, 1650.

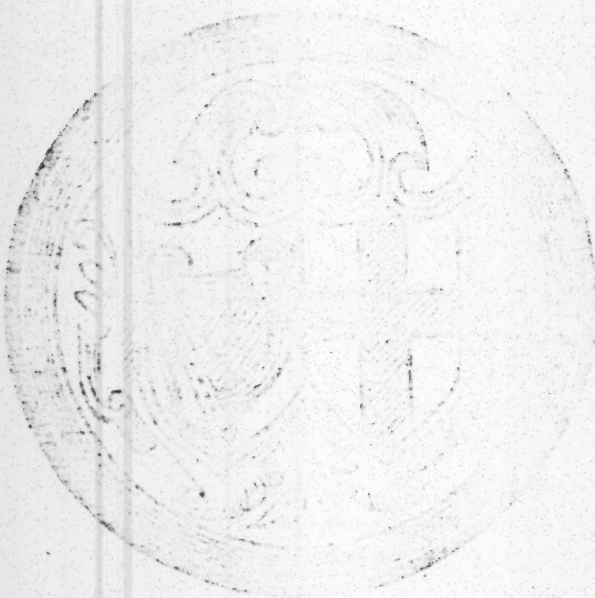
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IN THE YEAR 1811

By the Hon. the Lords of the Council
and the Hon. the Commons of Great Britain
in Parliament assembled



Printed by W. B. Nichols, at the
Printers, in Pall Mall, London.
1811.

AN ACT

For the speedy raising and levying of Monies
by way of NEW-IMPOST or EXCISE.

THE Parliament of England having taken into their serious consideration, the many and great engagements which lye upon the Receipts of the Excise and New-Impost, for due payment whereof, the Publique Faith of the Commonwealth is obliged : And still finding the Im-
post of Excise to be most equall and indifferent levy that can be laid upon the People, for the better Col-
lection thereof in the future, and prevention of many abuses heretofore used, and for the ease as well of the Commonwealth in point of charge, as of the People in the payment of the same, have Ordered and Enacted, And be it enacted by this present Parliament, and by Authoritie of the same :

I. That the severall Rates and Charges, for, or concerning the duty of New-Impost, or Excise, already imposed by severall Acts or Ordinances of Parliament, or that by this, or any other Act of Parliament, shall be imposed and set upon al and every the Commodities, Merchandizes, and Manufactures, as well imported, or exported, as made or growing, and put to sale, or consumed within England and Wales, and Towne of Berwick, shall be fully collected, and paid by all persons whatsoever, according as in the said Ordinance or Ordinances, Act or Acts, is or shall be specified, and in such maner as is therein enacted, ordained, and provided.

That all duties of Excise set by any former Acts or Ordinances, or to be set by any future Act or Acts shall be levied by the following rules.

The Office of
Excise in
London conti-
nued to be
governed by
Commis-
sioners.

Who are to
chooſe Offi-
cers for whom
they will be
answerable.

And may
place and diſ-
place them.

And ſet their
yearly wages,
and pay the
ſame quarter-
ly.

With appro-
bation of the
Committee of
Parliament,
&c.

And admini-
ſter Oath to
every of them.

The Oaths
being firſt ap-
proved by the
Committee of
Parliament,
&c.

The Commiſ-
ſioners to be
Governours
and Chief
Commisſio-
ners of the
ſaid Office
and Receipt.

II. That an Office be continued in the City of Lon-
don, called the Office of Excise and New-Impoſt,
and be managed and governed by Commiſſioners,
which ſaid Commiſſioners, or the major part of
them, or ſuch perſon or perſons as ſhall be hereafter
appointed by authority of Parliament, to manage
the ſaid Office of Excise, or the greater part of them
ſhall have power, and are hereby authorized from
time to time to chooſe a Secretary, Register, Clerks,
Accountants, Caſhiers, and all other neceſſary Of-
ficers, for whom they ſhall be answerable, whom the
ſaid Commiſſioners or the greater part of them, ſhall
and may from time to time, and have hereby autho-
rity to diſplace, and to place others in their rooms,
and to allow them, and every of them ſuch ſeverall
yearly wages to be paid quarterly out of the Re-
ceipts of the ſaid Office, and other accidentall re-
wards for their pains and ſervice therein, as the ſaid
Commiſſioners, or the greater part of them ſhall
think fit and reaſonable, and as ſhall be approved of,
and allowed by the Committee of Parliament, for
regulating the Excise or ſuch as are or ſhall be autho-
rized thereunto by Parliament: And ſhall and may
adminiſter ſuch Oath unto them and every of them,
for the due and faithfull execution of their ſeverall
places, as they ſhall find requiſite; which Oath or
Oaths, the ſaid Commiſſioners, or the major part of
them, are hereby authorized to adminiſter: And that
the ſame Oath or Oaths, be firſt allowed and appro-
ved by the Committee of Parliament for regula-
ting the Excise, or ſuch as the Parliament ſhall ap-
point thereunto.

III. That the Commiſſioners of the Excise for
the time being, are hereby appointed to be Gover-
nours, and Chiefe Commiſſioners of, and for the
ſaid Office and Receipt, which ſaid perſons, and all
ſuch as ſhall hereafter be appointed by Parliament
Governours,

Governours and Chiefe Commissioners of the said Office, shall respectively take before the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of England, this ensuing Oath, viz.

And to take the ensuing Oath before the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of England.

You shall swear to be true and faithful to the Commonwealth of *England*, and to be faithfull and true in the Place of Commissioners for the Excise, during the time you shall be a Commissioner; you shall according to your knowledge, power and skill, execute the same diligently, and faithfully, having no private respect to your selfe, in prejudice of the Common-wealth; you shall make and deliver a true Accompt of all your Receipts and disbursements to such Auditor, or Auditors, as is, are, or shall be from time to time appointed by Parliament; so helpe you God.

which Oath the said Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of England, for the time being, are hereby authorized to administer accordingly.

IV. That all parts of the Cities of London, and Westminster, and Borough of Southwarke, With the severall Suburbs thereof, and all other places Within the late Lines of Communication, and Weekly Bills of Mortality, shall be subject to the Rule and government of the said Office.

The Extent of the Office in London.

V. That the like Office and Offices, and so many of them, and such, and so many other Subordinate Commissioners, or Sub-Commissioners, shall be from time to time nominated and appointed, in all, or any the Counties of England, Wales, and Town of Berwick, and in all other Cities, Towns and Places thereof, as the said Commissioners, or the major part of them, shall from time to time think fitting; and to be approved of by the Committee of Parliament, for regulating the Excise, or such other persons, as the Parliament shall appoint for that purpose,

The like Office or Offices throughout *England*, &c. to be executed by Sub-commissioners.

To be approved off by the Committee of Parliament.

Who shall take
the like Oath
as the Com-
missioners.

Before the
said Lords
Commission-
ers of the
Great Seal, or
any two of
the Commis-
sioners of Ex-
cise &c.

Every Sub-
Commis-
sioner to enter
bond with two
sureties to be
approved, with
the sum, by the
said Commis-
sioners or the
Committee of
Parliament

Which bonds
shall be taken
to the State.

And their sa-
lary to be by
poundage or
otherwise as
the said Com-
missioners
with allow-
ance of the
said Commit-
tee of Parlia-
ment shall
think fit.

Which said subordinate Commissioners, or Sub-Commissioners, shall take the like Oath, as afore-
said respectively, before the Lords Commissioners of
the great Seale of England for the time being, or be-
fore the said chiefe Commissioners, or any two of
them, or such other person or persons as they, or the
major part of them, under their hands and Seals
shall appoint: and the said Lords Commissioners
of the Great Seale, and the said severall Commis-
sioners, or other person or persons, so by them authori-
zed, shall have power to administer the said Oath.

V I. And every the said subordinate Commissio-
ners or Sub-Commissioners, which shall be so ap-
pointed, as above said, shall enter bond, with two
or more sufficient sureties, the approbation of whom,
and settling the sum wherein he or they shall stand
bound, is left to the approbation and appointment of
the said chiefe Commissioners, or the major part of
them, or of the Committee of Parliament, for regu-
lating the Excise, or such as the Parliament shall
appoint, for the due execution of their places, and ac-
counting and paying all Monies by them received
quarterly, which Bond or Bonds, shall be made and
taken in the name of Custodes Libertat. Angliæ autori-
tat. Parliament. according as is directed by Act of Par-
liament, passed the 16th June 1649. And the said Sub-
ordinate Commissioners shall have for their severall
paines in and about the said businesse, such reasona-
ble sum and sums of Money allowed them by way
of poundage, or otherwise, as the said chief Commis-
sioners, or the major part of them for the time being
shall think fit and appoint, with allowance and ap-
probation of the Committee of Parliament, for re-
gulating the Excise, or of such persons as shall be ap-
pointed by Parliament, or authority thereof.

V I I. That the Commissioners for the Excise for
the time being, shall quarterly, or as often as they
shall

shall be thereunto required, make their Accompts of all Receipts and disbursements at the said Office in London, unto such Auditor or Auditors, or other persons, as is or shall be appointed by Parliament to receive the same, with which Auditor or Auditors, they shall from yeare to yeare passe their Accompts, according to the Instructions for the auditing of the Accompts of the Excise, made or to be made by authority of Parliament.

When, how, and how often, where, and to whom the Commissioners shall account.

VIII. That the chiefe Commissioners of the Excise for the time being, shall have for their pains and service therein, such salary as is or shall be appointed by Parliament, the same to be allowed them upon their Accompts by the said Auditors, without further warrant.

Provision for the Commissioners salary.

IX. That the said Commissioners, or the major part of them shall issue forth, and pay all such sums of money, as are now payable upon Acts or Ordinances of Parliament now in force, to such person and persons, and in such manner, as by the said Acts and Ordinances of Parliament now in force, or that by this Act, or by any other Order or Act of Parliament, is or shall be hereafter appointed and directed, and not otherwise: Provided, That nothing in this Article, shall debarre the said Commissioners from receiving the quarterly allowances, as are, or shall be granted to them for their pains, or from paying from time to time all wages due to their Sub-Commissioners or other Officers as abovesaid, and of Rents due for house, or Warehouse Room, or Rooms, where the said Offices shall be kept, or that shall be hired by the said Commissioners, or by their order; and other just and necessary expences and charges in the carrying on of this service, or receipt of the Excise, all which shall be from time to time passed by the Auditor or Auditors for the time being, without further warrant (except only such Officers and

How the Commissioners shall pay and issue out their Receipts.

and Sub-Commissioners Salaries, and necessary charges as hereby are directed to be first allowed by the Committee of Parliament, for regulating the Excise, or such persons as are, or shall by authority of Parliament be appointed thereunto.

What dayes,
and how many
hours thereof,
all Offices
shall be kept
open.

X. That the said Office in all places where it shall be appointed, shall be kept open from eight of the Clock in the forenoon, till twelve at noon; and from two of the Clock in the afternoon, till Six in the afternoon, for the Entering and Registering as well of the Names and Surnames of the Sellers, Buyers, and makers of the severall Commodities Exciseable, and the severall quantities and values thereof, and Receiving of all Moneys which shall be due and payable for the Excise, and for other things necessary to be done touching the said businesse, which said Entries shall bee made accordingly.

What hours o
f the day any
Ship-master
may deliver
out his lading,
and not other-
wise.

XI. That all Masters of Ships, or any Commander of any Ship, or of any other vessel whatsoever, that shall bring into any Port, Road, or Harbour any Exciseable commodities, whether from beyond the Seas, Scotland, or any Port of England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick, are hereby prohibited, and strictly forbidden to deliver any goods out of his Ship, or Vessel at any time whatsoever, being not in Leake, or Wharfe, but only in the day light; that is to say, from the first of March unto the last of September, between Sunne rising, and Sunne setting, and from the last of September to the first of March, between the houres of seven in the morning, and five in the afternoon, and shall not suffer the same to be put on board, any Lighter, Barge, Boat, or other Vessel, without the cognizance, knowledge, privity, and consent of such officer or officers of the Customs, as shall be on board the said ship, or other vessel, upon pain to forfeit

And not with-
out the know-
ledge of the
Officer of the
Customs on
board.

forfeit One hundred pounds for so doing, to be levied of the Goods and Chattels of the persons so offending, if he hath any within the said Port, or place where such Offence is done or committed; And in case the said One hundred pounds cannot be levied on his said Goods & Chattels within three dayes after such Offence done or committed, Then the said One hundred pounds to be levied upon the Ship or Vessel, in, and out of which such Offence is committed, by stop of such Ship or Vessel, that the same make no other voyage, till such Fine, or Forfeiture duely proved by Oath of one or more witness be paid, or satisfied: And all Officers of the Admiralty, or Customes, or their Deputies, are hereby enjoyned to make stay of every such Ship or Vessel, till the said one hundred pounds be paid, and satisfied.

Upon forfeiture of 100 £. to be levied on his goods in three dayes.

Or otherwise the Ship to be stopped till the same be satisfied.

XII. That all persons that have the charge of any Lighter, Boat, wherry, or any other Vessel, into which any Goods which ought to pay Custome or Excise imported into any Road, Harbour, or Port of England, Wales, or Towne of Berwicke, shall be delivered, to carry the same on Shoare, shall receive a Note from the Officer for the Customs attending aboard such Ship, out of which the said Goods shall be delivered, which Note the said Officer is hereby required and enjoined to make and deliver accordingly; specifying the name of such person, that hath charge of the same Lighter, Boat, or Vessel, and the marks, and numbers of every Cask, Hogshead, Pack, Fardle, Trusse, Bale, Seron, Bag, Potaccoe, Ballot, Roll, Bundle, Box, or outward form, or bulk of any parcel, or piece, goods within the same, expressing the Key, or wharfe, where the said goods are to be Landed, which shall be such Key, or Wharf where the Landwaite of the Ship from whence those Goods come, is appointed

Every Lighter, or Boat, into which any goods shall be delivered from any Ship, to have a note sent up therewith, signed by the Officer of the Customs on board.

To be delivered to the Land-waite for the Ship.

Before land-
ing of any
part of the
goods.

Upon pain of
confiscation of
such Lighter
or Boat which
hath not such
Note, or
where the same
is suppressed.

To be judged
before and
sold by the
Commissioners
of the
Customs.

to attend, and no other, and such Note shall bee there delivered unto such Land-Waiter before Landing of any the said Pieces, or Goods put aboard such Lighter, Boat, or Vessel; And if any such Lighter, Boat, or Vessel, shall be taken without such Note, or that any person who hath the charge, or is Owner of any such Lighter, Boat, or Vessel, so laden from aboard any Ship, shall suppress such Note, and shall not produce the same, It shall be lawfull for any Officer thereunto authorized from the Commissioners of the Customs, to seize such Lighter, Boat, or other Vessel, and to bring the same to Land with all the goods therein, and such Lighter, Boat, or other Vessel shall bee ipso facto forfeited to the Common Wealth, and after judgement passed thereupon by the said Commissioners of the Customs, or any three, or more of them, be presently sold, and the produce thereof put to the account of the State, with deduction of reasonable Reward to the Seizer or Seizers, and discoverer or discoverers thereof; and the goods found in such Lighter, Boat, or Vessel so seized, shall be kept in custody of the Officer of the Customs till the same be claimed by the Owner or owners thereof, unto Whom the same shall be delivered upon due entry, as in such case is hereby provided, if no fraud or practice be discovered in the owner; But if it shall be found that the owner of all, or any part of the goods so taken aboard such Lighter, boat, or vessel, is guilty of any fraudulent practice with him or them, which had charge of the goods found in such Lighter, Boat or vessel, then all such goods, or the value thereof, as shall be discovered and proved to have been with knowledge of the owner to have been concealed contrary to this Article, shall be confiscate and may be put to sale, or the value thereof be levied by distress, or in defect thereof, the offender to be committed to prison, there
to

to remaine till hee pay or satisfe for the same.

XIII. That no Cocquet, Bill of Entry, Ballast Bill, Bill of Store, Transire, victualling Bill, Port Cocquet, Certificate, Bill of Sufferance, or other Entry or Warrant whatsoever, for any Ship or Vessel, Victuall or Provision, Goods or Merchandizes, going out, or coming in, exported or imported, into any the Ports Havens, or Creeks of England, or Wales, or into the Town or Port of Berwick, be suffered to passe by the Commissioners of the Customs for the time being, or their Deputies, or any other under-Officer relating to the Customs, before such Cocquet, Bill of Entry, Ballast Bill, Bill of Store, Transire, Port Cocquet, Certificate, Bill of Sufferance, Victualling Bill, or other Entry or Warrant whatsoever respectively be signed, or subscribed by such Deputy, or other Officer, as is or shall be appointed for that purpose by the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners, within their respective bounds and Circuits, upon paine, That every such Commissioner of the Customs, or other Officers relating to the Customs so offending, shall ipso facto lose his Office, and also forfeit the sum of fifty pounds to the Common-wealth, the said offence and forfeiture to be heard, adjudged, and levied by the Committee of Parliament for regulating the Excise, or such person and persons, and in such manner as are or shall be appointed by authority of Parliament; And the said Deputy or other Officer, as is or shall be appointed for that purpose, by the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners as abovesaid, is hereby required to attend that service, and to signe, and subscribe such Cocquets, Bills of Entry, and other Warrants and Entries as abovesaid, upon the penalty to forfeit his Office or place, and also the sum

No entry to be passed by the Commissioners of the Customs or their Deputies till the same be signed by the Surveyor or Officer in the Port for the Excise.

Upon penalty of losse of place, and forfeiture of 50 l.

And the Officer of the Excise to sign such entry upon like penalties.

The Commis-
sioners of the
Customs and
their Depu-
ties to con-
curre with the
Officers of
Excise.

And appoint
them a seat in
all Ports.

summe of fifty pounds to the Common-wealth;
And all such Commissioners of the Customes, their
Deputies and all other Officers of the Customes,
in all Ports, Havens, and Creeks, of England, and
Wales, and of the Towne of Berwicke, are requi-
red from time to time to concurre with the Com-
missioners of the Excise, their Sub-commissioners,
and the Deputies of both in all things which they
shall reasonably propound and desire of them for the
advantage of this service, and particularly shall pro-
vide and set out a convenient Seat for the Sur-
veyor, or such Officer or Officers as shall be appoin-
ted by the Commissioners of the Excise, or their Sub-
commissioners to attend in the Custome-house of
any Port.

No Planter or
unknown per-
son shall have
any Warrant.
or take up his
goods till ei-
ther bond be
given with
sureties or Ex-
cise paid.

Upon forfei-
ture of double
the value of
the goods.

Nor make en-
try thereof in
any other then
the true Ow-
ners name.

XIV. That no persons living beyond the
Seas, or Planters in the West-India's and Virgi-
nia, no unknowne persons, or others, who have
no certaine habitations in the Towne or Port
where any Entry of Goods inwards shall bee
made, shall bee permitted to take up his or
their Goods, or to receive any warrant from
the Commissioners of the Customes, or their
Deputy Officers, in any Port, till either suf-
ficient security by Bond, be given for payment
of the Excise, or that the Excise be fully paid up-
on the taking up thereof, upon pain of forfeiture
of double the value of the Goods proved to bee ta-
ken up, to be leavied by distresse, and in defect there-
of, the Offender to be committed to Prison there
to remaine till he pay the same; And no such Per-
sons, as aforesaid, shall Enter any Goods in any
Custom-house, or with any Officer of the Cu-
stomes, but in the name of the true owner; nor shall
make use of the name of any known Merchant, or
Inhabitant in any Port to colour his Goods, whe-
ther

ther it be With, or Without consent of such known Merchant, or Inhabitant, upon such forfeiture and penalty of Imprisonment as aforesaid. And in case any such persons as aforesaid, shall not be able, or shall refuse to give Bond, or to pay Excise upon Entry as aforesaid, Then the Surveyor, or Officer of the Customes, and of the Excise, in every Port, and every of them are hereby authorised and required to take up such person or persons Goods, and after due notice taken in the presence of the owner, or such as hee shall appoint, of the quantity and quality thereof, or if he refuse, in the presence of two good witnesses to house the same in fitting Warehouse or Warehouses, and there to keepe the same till sufficient bond be given, or Excise fully paid as aforesaid: And when the owner shall come to cleare his goods, besides the due satisfaction which he is to give for Warehouse roome, and other charges, he shall pay full Excise according to the neat Weight, true measure, and just value respectively, according to the highest price such goods were sold for at any time within six dayes before, or as the Market then beareth, the Election Whereof, as shall be most for the advantage of the Common-Wealth, is to be taken by the Officer, or Receiver of the Excise; And no such Person as aforesaid who shall take up his Goods upon bond, if his security be the Retailer of the same Commodity he doth import, enter, and take up as aforesaid, shall deliver the same Goods, or any part thereof, unto such person (although his security) Nor shall such person, who is his security, receive all, or any part thereof without Ticket from the Office of Excise, Certifying the due payment of the Excise of such Goods, upon paine that both Receiver and Deliverer shall respectively forfeit

Upon like penalties.

And if such person be not able, or refuse to give bond or pay Excise. His goods to be taken into custody of an Officer of the Customs and Excise, and after examination of the goods in the Owners or two witnesses presence, to house the same till bond be given, or Excise paid.

The charges of Warehouse room, &c. to be paid by the Owner, before delivery.

And the highest rate of Excise in six daies before, of the commodity to be taken.

And no such person to deliver his goods to his surety if he be a Retailer of the same goods without Ticket.

Upon forfeiture of double the value by the deliverer and receiver.

double the value of such goods so delivered or received, and in defect thereof be respectively subject to imprisonment, there to remaine till satisfaction be made for the same.

Every Retailer that imports the Commodities of his Trade shall first make entry.

But not carry the same away till they be viewed by two sworn Officers.

And shall forthwith pay Excise as the Commodity then beareth, or as it did bear price six months before.

Upon forfeiture in this case, or if he enter the same in another mans name, or any other for him.

X V. That if any Shop-keeper, or Retailer shall import any Commodities or wares of his owne Trade, and by him Retailled, hee shall first make true Entry thereof, both for quantity and quality, and then be permitted to take up the same; But hee shall not carry away any such Goods before the same have been first viewed by two sworn Officers, or other persons well versed and experienced in such Commodities or wares, one to be appointed by the Commissioners of the Customes or their Deputies, and the other by the Commissioners of the Excise or their Sub-Commissioners; Who are to take perfect accompt both of Measure, and of the severall species, sortment and kinde of any such Commodities, and the distinct denomination of all, and every parcell usually made and observed therein, and then full Excise shall be forthwith paid by such Shop-keeper, or Retailer, according to the highest price, the Commodity in its severall species, sortment, and kinde as aforesaid, was last sold at within six Moneths before, or that else the same then beareth in the Market, the Election wherof as shall bee most for the advantage of the Common-wealth is to bee taken by the Officer or Receiver of the Excise. And if any Shop-keeper, or Retailer either shall take up, or carry away his Goods, before such due Entry and View by sworn Officers, or other persons bee made, and the Excise bee fully payd as aforesaid, or shall enter his Goods in any other Persons Name then his owne

owne , or if any person shall enter , or take up any Goods , for any Shop-keeper or Retailer , Whereby the true intent of this Article may bee judged to bee eluded , such Shop-keeper , or Retailer , or other person whatsoever , shall respectively forfeit double the value of the said Goods found to bee Entered , taken up , or carried away contrary to the true meaning of this Article , to be leavied respectively by distresse upon the Goods and Estate of such Offender respectively , and in defect thereof every such offender to bee imprisoned till due satisfaction be made for such forfeiture ; And if any Shop-keeper or Retailer , or other person whatsoever , that shall enter any Goods , or Commodities at sight , or whose Goods shall be committed to the view , examination , and report of any Sworne Officers or other persons in behalfe of the Customes or Excise , or of both , shall directly , or indirectly seek to corrupt any such Sworne Officer or Person , to the intent that hee may favour him in his Report of the Goods by him to bee viewed ; Or if any Sworne Officer or Person shall suffer himselfe to bee corrupted , or shall take any Reward , or summe of Money whatsoever , in the execution of his Trust , or shall wittingly and wilfully make any Report of the Goods committed to his View and Examination , whereby the Common-wealth may bee prejudiced either in Customes , or Excise , or both , the Shop-keeper , or Retailer , and other person making such Entry , who shall bee found to attempt , or make such undue practice with such Sworne Officer or other Person , shall bee subject to all such forfeitures and penalties aforesaid respectively ; And such Sworne Officer or other Person who shall bee found to have

Of double the value of the goods respectively.

And if he attempt or corrupt the Officer, or the Officer suffer himself to be corrupted.

The Retailer shall be subject to like penalties.

And the Officer be displaced, and forfeit also 100 l.

And the Retailer shall not after carry his goods to any place but his own Shop, nor remove the same from any place but his own Shop without acquainting the Office of Excise therewith.

Upon like penalties.

The Commissioners of the Customs to appoint searchers.

Who shall at the desire of the Officer for Excise open any Goods after entry.

And if any undue entry shall be found to be made,

have so complied, or taken any reward or summe of Money, or to have wittingly and willingly made any Report to the prejudice of the Common-Wealth, shall be ipso facto disaussed from his place, and further shall forfeit One hundred pounds to be leyed by distresse, or in defect thereof be imprisoned till he satisfie the same: And when any Retailer or Shop-keeper hath entered and cleared his Goods by him imported as aforesaid, he is hereby enjoyned to carry the same to his owne Shop directly, and shall not house the same or any part thereof in any other Store-house, Shop, Cellar, or Warehouse, or other place whatsoever, without first acquainting the Commissioners of the Excise or their Sub-Commissioners therewith, and with the quantity and quality of such Goods he there layes up; nor againe remove all, or any part thereof, except only from his usuall and knowne Shop, without a Ticket from the Office of the Excise under which he inhabiteth, upon like forfeitures for every such Offence and other penalties respectively as aforesaid; And to the intent any fraud may bee the better discovered after Entry made by any Importer whatsoever, It shall be lawfull for the Commissioners of the Customes, and their Deputies in all Ports to appoint, and they shall appoint some Officer, or Officers, to open, search and examine any goods whereof short or undue Entry shall bee suspected to have beene made, which Officer and Officers, are hereby enjoyned upon application to him or them, by any Officer of the Excise in any Port to open and search any goods, where the Officers of Excise shall have any just cause of suspicion, and if any Goods upon such search shall be found fraudulently and unduely entered, the same shall be forfeited to the Common-Wealth, and be so

so adjudged in the Exchequer; but if no fraud be found upon such search, the Goods shall be presently made up in due order and manner as they were before, at the charge of such Officer of the Customs or Excise, upon whose suspicion the same were opened, and without any charge or further delay be delivered to the Importer who made entry thereof: And in case there shall be cause of suspicion where any Entry is presented, signed with, and in the name of any known Merchant, or Inhabitant, that it is not the Act and hand, or by the consent of such Merchant or Inhabitant; It shall be lawful for the Surveyor or Officer for the Excise in any Port to refuse such Entry, and prohibit the taking up of the Goods offered to be Entered, till he be satisfied, that it is the hand, or by the consent of such known Merchant, or inhabitant.

The same to be judged forfeited in the Exchequer.

Otherwise the goods to be made up and delivered without charge or delay to the owner.

That the Officer of Excise may refuse to sign the Entry, where he suspects the Entry not to be underwritten with the hand of, or consent of the Merchant.

XVI. That no wharfinger, or keeper of any wharfe, Crane, or any Porter or other Officer at the Customs house doe take up, or let downe, or otherwise permit to be brought on, or shipped off his wharf, any Goods, or Merchandizes whatsoever, but in the presence of an Officer for the Customs, upon penalty to forfeit five pounds for every such offence, to be levied by distresse, or in defect thereof, such offender to be Imprisoned till he pay the same.

No Wharfinger, &c. or Porter, &c. to take up, or let down any goods but in presence of an Officer of the Customs.

Upon penalty of 5 li.

XVII. That no Merchant, or Importer whatsoever of any exciseable Goods or Commodities shall land, or cause the same, or any part thereof to be landed upon the shore, before due entry made with the Officer of Excise in the Port where such goods are to be landed, upon paine of forfeiture of double the value of such Goods and Merchandizes, or otherwise to be proceeded against, as herein, in such case is directed and appointed.

No goods to be landed before due Entry with the Officer of Excise.

Upon penalty of forfeiture of double the value.

The Coppy of
the Entry of
forraign
goods sent by
land to be de-
livered at the
Office of Ex-
cise.

Upon like pe-
nalty.

No Romage
to be made
without a Tic-
ket or Officer
of Excise.

Upon penalty
of forfeiture
of double the
value.

Nor any
goods to be
laid up in any
place, except
the Importers
own House,
without ac-
quainting the
Office of Ex-
cise therewith.

Upon penalty
of 20 l.

Provided no
Fee be taken
by the Officer.

XVIII. That no Merchant, or Importer of any forraign goods Whatsoever, making first entry thereof in any Port-Town, and afterwards bring- ing the same by land carriage to the City of London, or any other City or place where such goods is or shall be delivered, be permitted to dispose of such goods from the waggons or other Carriage, till first a Coppy of the first Entry at such Port-Towne be delivered to the Officer or Officers of the Excise, to the end the duty of Excise may be paid and secu- red, upon like penalty as aforesaid.

XIX. That no Importer of any forraign Com- modity exciseable, or maker, grower, or first vender of any In-land Commodity, which is not to pay the Excise till sale, shall remove, romage, or carry the same or any part thereof, from any house, Cellar, Warehouse, or place where the same were once hou- sed, or laid up, although such goods be not sold, with- out a Ticket or Officer of Excise appointed to that purpose, upon like penalties respectively as if the same goods were sold; Nor shall any Importer af- ter he hath entered his goods at the Custome-house, and is cleared thence; house, or dispose of any of his goods in the House, Cellar, Warehouse, Storehouse, or Shop of any person Whatsoever, who is Retailer of the same Commodity; Nor in any other Cellar, Warehouse, or Storehouse, except in his own house, or Cellars, and Warehouse thereof, without ac- quainting of the Office of Excise therewith, upon penalty of twenty pounds to be levied for every such offence by Distresse, and for want thereof to be ly- able to imprisonment till he pay the same: Pro- vided, That no Fee, or Reward bee taken, or de- manded of any such Importer or other, to any Officer who shall be appointed to attend any Re- movall, or Romage.

XX. That no Merchant or Importer of any forraigne

forraigne Commodities Exciseable after hee hath entred and housed his goods, shall after sale of all, or any part thereof, deliver, or cause the same to be delivered, without first receiving a Ticket, or warrant from the Excise Office under which his habitation is, or goods lye; Nor any buyer or other person receive the same, upon pain of forfeiture of double the value of the said goods so delivered, or received, which forfeiture, both Seller, Buyer, or Receiver, shall be equally and fully lyable unto, and subject unto such other proceedings for want of distress as herein is directed.

No goods to be delivered, or received, without Excise Ticket.

Upon forfeiture of double the value respectively.

XXI. That every Merchant or Importer, who shall sell any Commodity whatsoever, shall under his own hand, or the hand of his servant whom he shall first authorize under his hand to be filed in the Office of Excise to that purpose, and for whose Act he shall be answerable, Certifie in Writing the quantity, weight, and measure of his Goods sold, as near as he can, and therein fully mention the quality of the Goods distinguished by their severall Species and Sortments, by which they are distinguishable and commonly called and known, and the price at which they are sold by the Peard, Pound weight, Hundred weight, Pound value, or otherwise: And that untill the said Merchant hath so certified he shall not deliver any Goods to any Buyer, nor be permitted any sufferance Bill, upon any pretence whatsoever, but if hee shall make such due certificate in manner aforesaid, then if it shall bee judged needfull, he shall be allowed a Bill of Sufferance, to enable him to perfect the weight or Measure of the goods sold, which sufferance shall not extend further then twenty eight daies at most, before expiration, Whereof the Merchant is to certifie the perfect weight and measure,

How the Importer upon sale shall certifie to the Office of Excise.

And that untill such certificate he shall not deliver his goods, nor be permitted a Sufferance bill.

And that no Sufferance bill shall extend no further then twenty dayes.

Within which
time the Seller
shall perfect
his Certificate,
and buyer pay
the Excise, up-
on pain of for-
feiture of dou-
ble the value
respectively.

And where
there shall be
cause of sus-
picion that a
sufferance bill
may be execu-
ted in the pre-
sence of an
Officer, and
not otherwise.

Upon like pe-
nalties.

measure, and the Buyer to pay and fully clear the
Excise thereof, upon pain of forfeiture of double the
value of the said goods first certified by the Merchant,
to be levied by Distress upon the goods of the Mer-
chant or Seller, if he do not certify as aforesaid; and
of the buyer, if he pay not the full Excise as aforesaid;
and in default of Distress, the Buyer and Seller re-
spectively to be imprisoned by the Commissioners, or
Sub-Commissioners as aforesaid; and where
the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-Com-
missioners respectively, shall find cause to suspect,
that by this Sufferance the Commonwealth may
suffer in the payment of Excise, they shall have here-
by power to appoint any Officer to attend the exe-
cution of the Bill of sufferance, in whose presence the
Weight or measure of such goods first certified to be
sold, shall be taken and made, and not otherwise, up-
on like penalties respectively, as in this Article be-
fore are provided.

A barter shall
be a sale.

And pay Ex-
cise at the
highest price
current.

XXII. That a barter or exchange of any goods
for another, shall to all intents and purposes be un-
derstood and accounted for a Sale, and Excise bee
presently paid and cleared for both Commodities, ac-
cording to the highest price current, if they be both
lyable to pay Excise, or for such Commodity as is
lyable thereunto.

In what case
the Excise
shall be repaid
for goods once
Excised which
shall be trans-
ported.

XXIII. That for all Commodities Exciseable,
which are first imported, and after exported beyond
the Seas, the Excise thereof being paid, and due proof
thereof made by oath of the party or witness, which
Oath any Commissioner, or Sub-commissioners or
any of their Deputies, by Commission from them, or
the major part of them, shall have power to admini-
ster the same, shall be repaid, and the said Commis-
sioners, their Sub-Commissioners, and their Depu-
ties,

ties, have hereby power to repay the same accordingly.

XXIV. That every person or persons who hath imported, or shall import any commodities exciseable and consume or spend the same in, or for his private use, or for any other purpose then to sell again, shall pay the severall charges thereby set and imposed as if he had sold the same commodities, upon penalty of forfeiture or imprisonment respectively, as aforesaid.

The Spender of goods by himselfe imported shall pay Excise.

Upon like penalties as aforesaid.

XXV. That the Commissioners of the Excise, and their Sub-commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, once in Twelve months at the furthest, or oftner, if they see cause, shall have power to call upon all and every the Importers of any foreign Commodities exciseable, and to require of them, and every of them a particular Accompt of all goods or Merchandizes remaining on his hands at that time; and if any person shall refuse to give in such Accompt, or neglect to do the same for eight and twenty dayes after warning, such Importer shall be presently lyable to pay the full Excise for all goods that shall be found, to stand charged in the Excise books on his Accompt by his entries at the Custom-house, which have not been otherwise cleared by sales, and deliveries, for which Tithets have been given out of the Office of Excise, and accordingly adjudged, and warned to pay the same in, within fourteen dayes at furthest, and in default thereof, Warrant of Distress shall be issued out against such Importer for double the value of all such goods, as upon his Accompt of Entries shall be found remaining in his hands, or in default thereof, he shall be committed to prison, untill he pay or satisfie for the same: But if such Importer shall upon demand, or within twenty eight dayes after, give in such Accompt as aforesaid,

How to call the Importer to accompt once a year or oftner.

The Importer that refuseth to accompt, to pay full Excise for all goods that stand in remain on his accompt within fourteen dayes after warning.

Upon penalty to forfeit double the value of such Rest.

But he accounting within 24 dayes, and paying the Excise of such goods as shall be due, no advantage shall be made against the Importer.

The better to proceed in account with the Importer, that all Houses, and Cellars, &c. be presently searched, and so hereafter as there shall be occasion.

He that opposeth such search to forfeit 50 l.

then after the said Commissioners or their Sub-Commissioners respectively, shall by returne upon due search of an Officer, or Officers, whom they are to appoint to that purpose, find his remainder to agree with his Account, or that he shall otherwise give satisfaction upon oath, or otherwise, whereby to reconcile the difference, the said Commissioners, or their Sub-Commissioners shall have power to adjust his Accounts to that day, and to receive Excise of him, for so much onely as had not bene formerly payd, without any further penalty, unlesse he doe not forthwith pay such Excise as they shall judge due, and so proceed on in account with him for the remainder found and agreed upon without demanding any Excise, till he sell or dispose thereof. And to the end the Commissioners of the Excise, and their Sub-Commissioners respectively, may be the better inabled to carry on their Accounts more clearly with the Merchant, and Importer for the future, They are hereby authorized forthwith to appoint Officers to enter all Cellars, warehouses, and Store-houses, Store-cellars, or other places belonging to any person whatsoever, where they shall have just cause of suspicion, to search for all manner of forraign imported commodities belonging to any Importer, or Wine-cooper, and to take an Account thereof, and of the names of the Owners of the same, and of the severall qualities of the goods, which search they shall have power to execute once in every Six months, or Twelve months, or oftner, as they shall see cause, and all persons who shall refuse to permit the Officer thereto, especially authorized entrance as abovesaid, or to take such Account, shall forfeit fifty pounds for every such refusal to be levied by distresse, or in default thereof, the Refuser to be committed to Prison.

XXVI. That in clearing and making up all Accounts with the Merchant, or Importer of wines and Oiles, such allowances for leaking, waste, and other accidents before sale and delivery of such wines, and Oiles be made by the said Commissioners, and Sub-Commissioners from time to time, as are just and reasonable.

To make allowance for Leaking, &c. of Wines and Oyles before.

XXVII. That the Commissioners of the Excise, and their Sub-Commissioners respectively, shall have power to appoint Sworne Officers for the tasting of all decayed wines, and viewing all Tobaccos, which by sand, stones, dirt, or water be over weight, and upon return of such decayed wines, and Tobacco, by the said Sworn Officers, the said Commissioners, and their Sub-Commissioners have power to make such abatements, and allowances for the same, as is just and reasonable, and if any practice or fraudulent dealing shall be discovered between any Taster and Merchant, and Importer of the said wines, or Tobaccos, or the Buyers of such commodities, the Taster shall ipso facto lose and forfeit a years salary, and the Merchant and Importer, and the buyer, who shall be found guilty of such fraud, forfeit double the value of such wines or Tobacco, to be all levied by distresse, or in defect thereof, the party offending to be committed to prison till he pay the same, and they shall have power to continue all allowances of tare, tret, clost, and the like, as hath been usuall.

To appoint Tasters and Viewers of Wines and Tobaccos.

In case of fraud between the Taster and Merchant or Buyer.

The Taster to lose his place and forfeit a yeares salary.

And the Seller or Buyer double the value. Allowances of Tret, &c. continued.

XXVIII. That all Arrears of Excise heretofore due by any Ordinance of Parliament from any person or persons, shall be still recoverable by vertue of this Act, and al powers herein given put in execution for gaining the same: Provided alwaies, that no Excise be from henceforth demanded, levied, or collected by any Officer or Collector of Excise for any Excise that did grow due by any person for any goods within

All Arrears of Excise to be recoverable by this Act.

Except in such places where and whilst they were under the power of the Enemy.

Within any County, City, Town or place during the time such County, City, Town, or Place were under the power of the Enemy.

All Brewers and others liable to pay Excise in the first hand for Inland commodities to make Entry weekly.

Upon forfeiture of 20 l. or double the value of such goods as they shall deliver, during that neglect.

XXIX. That all common Brewers of Ale, or Beer, Distillers of Aqua vita, or Strong Waters, all Smelters of Lead, Tinners, and blowers of Tin, and all other Miners, Growers, and Ingrossers of any Inland commodity charged with the Excise, who are liable to pay the Excise as soon as the commodity is fit for sale, shall weekly make true entry at the Office of Excise, under which they lie, of all Beer and Ale, Strong Waters, Lead and Tin, and other commodities exciseable which they brew, or made in that week, respectively, and pay and clear the Excise thereof forthwith, upon pain of forfeiture of twenty pounds for every week they, or any of them shall neglect to make such entry, and further to forfeit double the value of all Beer, or Ale, Strong Waters, Lead, Tin, or any other commodities they shall sell and deliver, or dispose of before such entry and payment of Excise to be levied by distress, or in default thereof, the party offending to be imprisoned as hereafter is appointed.

In case of obstinacy in the Brewer.

The Committee of Parliament to give Warrant to enter his house and Brew-house, and break open locks, &c.

XXX. That in case any common Brewer of Ale or Beer after he is proceeded against, according as hereby is directed, either by distress, or in default thereof by imprisonment, or shall not conform to, and satisfy the sentence passed against him, for breach of this Act, on his part, within twenty days after such distress or imprisonment, upon certificate of such obstinacy and non-performance from the Commissioners of Excise, to the Committee of Parliament for regulating the Excise, or such as shall be appointed thereunto by authority of Parliament, such Committee and persons as is above said, shall have power to

to issue out Warrants to any Officers, whereby they shall be authorized to enter the dwelling house, out-houses and brewhouse of every such person, and in case of resistance, or refusal to breake open all doores and locks, and to take up all Coppers and other vessels therein, and to carry the same together with all goods which shall be found in the said house, or out-houses, or Brewhouse belonging to such Brewer, after Appraisement, unto the Office of Excise under which such Brewer dwelleth, and there to make sale thereof to any person or persons: Which sale shall be good and warranted in Law, and such proceed thereof as shall be due upon the Sentence of forfeiture, shall be put to account for the benefit of the Common-Wealth; deducting onely all charges and rewards which shall be expended and given in, and for the execution of the said Warrant, and whatsoever shall arise out of the sale of the said Goods distrained, more then is due upon the said Sentence, and reasonably expended and given, in, and for execution thereof, to render the same to the said Brewer, who shall be then presently released from Imprisonment, but shall be for ever after disabled, and made incapable of exercising the Trade of Common-Brewing, untill he shall pay the summe of one hundred pounds to the Commissioners of Excise, or their Deputies or Officers, to the use of the State.

And to take up his Coppers, and to carry away all his Goods to the Excise Office.

There to be sold, and the State and charges being satisfied, to return the rest, and there to release the Brewer from Prison.

He shall be incapable after to Brew, untill he pay 100 l.

XXXI. That the common Brewer may be the better accounted withall, the Commissioners of Excise, and their Sub-Commissioners in their respective Circuits, shall hereby have power to constitute under their hands and Seals, such, and so many Gager or Gagers as they shall find needfull: Which Gager or Gagers, and every of them, shall at all times be permitted to enter the Brewhouse, and all other out-houses belonging to any Brewer, and to gage

Power to appoint Gagers over the Brewers.

Who may enter all Brew-houses, &c.

The Brewer
that opposeth
the Gager, to
be forbidden
to deliver his
Beer, &c.

Upon Penal-
ty, besides
double the
value of what
he delivers to
forfeit 50 l.

all Coppers, Fatts, and Vessels in the same; and to take account of all Beer and Ale from time to time brewed. And in case any Brewer shall deny any such Gager or Gagers, to enter his Brewhouse, or other out-houses, or to gage, or take account of his brewing Vessels, and Beer and Ale, as aforesaid, such Brewer shall be presently forbidden to carry or deliver out any Beer or Ale: And if yet he shall carry or deliver out any Beer or Ale, he shall, besides the forfeiture of double the value of such Beer and Ale, ipso facto, forfeit Fifty pounds more, to be leavied by Distresse; or in defect thereof, such Brewer to be further proceeded against by Imprisonment, as aforesaid.

No Vintner
or Victualler,
&c. to brew
his own Beer
and Ale, un-
less he give
security to pay
the Excise.

XXXII. That no Vintner, Inn-keeper, Victualler, Alehouse-keeper, or other person whatsoever, that retails or sells Beer or Ale, shall brew his own Beer or Ale, unless such Vintner, Inn-keeper, Victualler, Alehouse-keeper, or other person do first give sufficient Security to the Commissioners or Sub-Commissioners of Excise, within whose Jurisdiction and Limit such Vintner, Inn-keeper, Victualler, Alehouse-keeper and other persons as aforesaid, do dwell and inhabit, for the true payment of Excise of all such Beer and Ale as shall be by him or them brewed, at such time, and in such manner as by the said Commissioners, or Sub-Commissioners, or any of them, shall be limited and appointed. And without such Security first given as abovesaid, all such Vintners, Inn-keepers, Victuallers, Alehouse-keepers, or other persons as abovesaid, shall take all such Beer and Ale as they shall sell or utter, of some common Brewer of Ale or Beer, upon penalty, that all such Vintners, Inn-keepers, Victuallers, Alehouse-keepers and other persons as abovesaid, upon due proof thereof made by oath of two or more witnesses, or
other

other sufficient evidence, before any Justice of the Peace within any County, City, or Town Corporate where such Vintner, Inn-keeper, Victualler, Alehouse-keeper, or other person as aforesaid, doe reside and dwell: every such Vintner, Inn-keeper, Victualler, Alehouse-keeper, or other person as aforesaid, shall forfeit for every such Offence the sum of forty shillings, to be levied by Distress, and sale of the Offenders goods, rendering to the party the overplus (if any be:) And if after conviction as aforesaid, the said persons shall offend the second time, then, for the second offence to forfeit the sum of three pounds, to be levied as aforesaid, And in case the said person shall afterwards commit the like Offence, Then such person and persons so offending, shall be disabled to keepe any Inn, Tavern, Alehouse, or Victualling house during his life, and shall be committed to some common Gaole, there to remaine till he give sufficient Security never to offend the like again; and to be further punished as an unlicensed Ale-house-keeper. And all Justices of Peace in the respective Counties, and all Mayors, or other head-Officers, and Justices of the Peace in all Cities and Towns corporate, have power, and are hereby authorized and required to put this Clause and Article in execution, and the said Penalties and Forfeitures to cause to be paid to the Sub-Commissioners of Excise in whose Jurisdiction such Offender doth reside or inhabit.

Upon penalty of XL s. for the first offence.

3 l. for the second offence.

And for the third offence to be disabled, and committed to prison, till he give security not to offend again.

All Justices of the Peace, &c. required to put this Clause in execution,

XXXIII. That all Vintners, Inn-keepers, Victualers, Alehouse-keepers, and every other person who have, or shall have any License to sell Beer and Ale, shall upon their Receipt of their Beer and Ale from the Common Brewer, pay the Excise due thereupon unto the said Brewer, or his Assignee,

The Vintner and Victualer, &c. to pay the Brewer the Excise, upon receipt of his Beer or Ale.

Upon pain to
be disabled for
Three years.

upon pain to be ipso facto disabled to sell any Beer or Ale for three yeares after such offence.

Allowances for
filling and
Leakage to the
Brewer.

XXXIV. That the common Brewers of Ale and Beer shall have such allowance for filling and Leakage upon every score, as shall be adjudged fitting and necessary by the Commissioners of Excise, and to be approved of by the Committee of Parliament for the Excise, or such as the Parliament shall appoint.

How the
House-keeper
that Brewes
his own Beer
and Ale, shall
pay Excise.

The Justice
of Peace shall
appoint Asses-
sors for every
Hundred.

Who shall
Rate every Fa-
mily what to
pay weekly, ac-
cording as they
shall judge the
Spending.

XXXV. That all house-keepers, such as shall and will brew their own Beer or Ale, and do not sell or retale the same, shall duely pay the duty of Excise, in such manner as is hereafter directed: (videlicet) Upon application or request of any the Sub-Commissioners of Excise, to any one or more Justices of the Peace of any Hundred, wapentake or Division in every County respectively, or for want thereof, to any one or more Justices of the Peace inhabiting neare thereunto; such Justice or Justices of the Peace are hereby authorized and required to nominate and appoint such, and so many persons as they shall think fitting, to be Assessours within every Hundred or Parish: which said persons shall have power to judge, rate, and set down what they shall think fit and reasonable for every such householder (as abovesaid) within that Hundred or Parish, to pay by way of a certain weekly Rate, for the consumption of his whole Family in Beer and Ale, unto whose consideration it is left to judge what every such Family doth or shall spend weekly by the Barrel, of strong or small Beer and Ale, and to assess and tax, according to the proportions of Excise set upon Beer and Ale, every Family accordingly: which Rates, and severall Assessments, with the name and quality of the Master or Mistresse of every such Family,

Family, and the number of the Persons within the same, and the place of every ones dwelling, and the summe of money at which every Householder is rated to pay weekly, shall be distinctly set down in Writing, and signed by the said Assessors; and that the Justice or Justices of Peace, or any one of them are hereby authorized and enjoined within six dayes after request or application to him or them by the Sub-Commissioners as abovesaid, by Writing under their Hand and Seale, to authorize and appoint such fit and able persons inhabiting within their respective Precincts and Divisions, as they shall think fit to be Assessors for the adjudging, Rating, Taring and Assessing of the said Assessments, for Excise of Beer and Ale as aforesaid: And that the said Assessors, shall and may within six daies after receipt of the said Writing, from the said Justice or Justices of the Peace, assemble and meet together, and shall Adjudge, Assesse, Rate, and Take as abovesaid, All and every the Inhabitants and House-keepers within the limits or precinct to them allotted as aforesaid, according to the number of, and in their Families as aforesaid, and return the same Assesment in Writing under their hands, to the Justice or Justices from whom they receive their Warrant and Authority; And that the said Justice or Justices do and shal within four days after receipt of the Roll, or Assesment from the same Assessors, transmit & send the same signed with his and their hands and seals, unto the Subcommissioners of Excise for that division And that in case the said Sub-commissioners or any one of the do find any neglect, omission or partiality, or any other just cause of exception, in, or to the said Assesment; Or if any person assessed have cause of complaint, That then the said Sub-Commissioner, or Sub-Commissioners, or the party or parties grieved,

And put the Rates and names of every Master or Mistress of the Family, &c. in Writing and sign the same. The Justice of Peace to appoint their Assessors within six dayes.

And the Assessors within six dayes after the warrant, to proceed to the Rate, &c. and to return the same to the Justice of Peace.

And the Justice of Peace within Fourteen dayes after receipt of the Roll, to transmit the same unto the Sub-Commissioners of the Excise.

And the Sub-Commissioner, and party Assessed to have Fourteen dayes more to make their Exceptions.

The Sub-Commissioners shall In-
gross Three Copies of the Roll, and send one to the Commissioners at London, another to the Auditor there; and a third to the High-Constable, &c.

If any Justice of Peace, &c. or Assessor, shall refuse or neglect this service, that then the Sub-Commissioners of Excise may with aid of other persons, appoint Assessors, or themselves make Assessments according to this Act.

shall within fourteen dayes after the making of the said Assesment, make their complaint to the said Justice or Justices who signed and sealed the said Roll or Assesment, who have hereby power given unto them, or any one of them, to send for parties and witnesses, and to adjudge the same, as to him or them shall seem just and reasonable; And that the Sub-Commissioners of Excise after receipt of the respective Rolls or Assesment, or such part thereof as shall be agreed upon as abovesaid, from the said Justice, or Justices as aforesaid, shall cause the same forthwith to be fairly ingrossed in writing, and shall send one Duplicate thereof subscribed with their hands to the Commissioners of Excise in London; another Duplicate thereof shall deliver, or cause to be delivered so subscribed, to the Auditor or Auditors of Excise; and a third Duplicate thereof subscribed as abovesaid, shall deliver to the High-Constables of the Hundreds or wapentakes respectively: And in case any the Justices of the Peace, Mayors, or other Officers of, or in the respective Counties, Cities, or Townes Corporate, shall refuse or wilfully neglect to put this Act in execution; or if the Assessors shall refuse, or wilfully neglect to make such Assesment as abovesaid; That then in all and every such Cases, the Sub-Commissioners of Excise of that Limit, Division, and Jurisdiction, City, County, Hundred, Towne and Parish respectively, shall and may, and are hereby authorized to call unto their aide and assistance, any two, or more of the Commissioners for the Monthly assisements, next adjoyning to such Divisions, City, town, or parish, or in their default, any other person or persons that inhabit within the county, City, Hundred, Town, Hamblet or Parish, or next adjoyning therunto: and with the consent of such person or persons, or any two or more of them, to appoint

point Assessors, or by themselves to make assessments according to the Rules and Directions abovesaid, which said Assessments are also to be made in Writing, and to be engrossed in Parchment signed, and Duplicates thereof to be sent and transmitted to the said Auditor or Auditors, and to the High Constables, and Petty Constables respectively, as also to the Chiefe Commissioners of Excise in London, as abovesaid; And in case any Justice of the Peace, or any Assessor or Collector appointed in and by Authority of this present Act, shall refuse, or wilfully neglect to put this Act in execution, and Information thereof be given to the Committee of Parliament for Regulating the Excise, or such other persons as shall be thereunto appointed by Parliament; That then the said Committee, or such persons as shall be so appointed by Parliament, shall by themselves, or such as they shall appoint, cause the same to be examined by Oath of witnesses which they or such as they shall appoint, are hereby authorized to administer to all persons brought before them, other then to the parties themselves so accused; And shall have hereby full power and authority upon due proove before them of such refusal or wilfull neglect, to Imprison and fine all such Justices of the Peace according to the quality of their respective offences not exceeding the sum of one hundred pounds: And to Imprison and Fine all such Assessors or Collectors, according to the quality of their Offences, not exceeding Twenty pounds, the said Fines to be Levied by Distresse and Sale of the Goods of the person or persons so offending, rendering the Overplus to the Persons respectively; And the Sub-Commissioners of the Excise shall in Writing by them Signed, send a particular taken out of the

And every Justice of Peace refusing or neglecting this Service, to incur the penalty of 100 L. and every Assessor or Collector of xx l.

The Sub-Commissioners to send a particular of the Roll to the—

— petty Constable, &c. of every Hundred &c. for so much as he in his division is to Collect.

Who shall demand the same every week.

And at every months end pay in the same to the High Constable.

Who within 14 daies before the end of every Quarter shall pay what he hath received, unto one of the Sub-Commissioners.

And every person in Arrears, twice demanded, to forfeit treble the value of the money due.

the said Roll, unto every Headborough, and Petty-Constable, Tythingman, and Wortholder of such Hundred, Wapentake, or Division, directing every one what summes of money they are to receive and how, when, and of whom, within any Parish, or Division belonging to them respectively : And every Headborough and Petty-Constable, Tythingman and Wortholder shall weekly demand and receive of all persons mentioned in his Roll, the severall Summes of Money on them assessed, and at every Moneths end pay so much as he hath received unto the High Constable under whom hee is, who upon the Roll in his hands, shall take notice from whom, and how much he is paid : And every High Constable is within foureteen daies before the end of every Quarter enjoyned and required to make payment of all such moneys by him received from any Headborough, Petty-Constable, Tythingman, or Wortholder of his Division unto any one of the Sub-Commissioners of the Excise at one certain place to be by them appointed within his Division, and there together with the said Sub-Commissioners, to examine by the Roll, who hath paid his Assessment, and who not : And every person or persons which shall at the Quarter day, after two severall Demands at his dwelling house, be returned not to have paid his weekly Assessment as aforesaid, or to be behinde, all, or any part thereof, shall be liable upon Oath made of the demand thereof two severall times as aforesaid, to forfeit treble the value of the Money due by such person as refuse or neglect to pay the same, which is or shall be unpaid, or in Arrears, to be all levied by distress upon every such person or persons Goods, or for want thereof, the party offending to be committed to Prison, there to remaine till the said penalty

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of treble the value, and his Arrearses of Excise be fully paid or satisfied; Upon which Returne from the High-Constable, the Sub-Commissioners of Excise are to levie the said Arrears and Penalties by Distress, and sale of the goods of the persons so in arreare respectively; And in all Cities or Townes Corporate, other then in the Cities of London and Westminster, and Hues of Communication, and Weekly Bills of Mortality where any private house-keeper doth Brew his owne Ale or Beere, the Maiors, Bayliffs, Justices of the Peace, or other chiefe Officers, or any two or more of them, and all Constables and other Officers shall have the like power as the Justices of the Peace, and Officers within the severall Counties as is abovesaid; and they are to observe the like Rule as in the said County, both in relation to the Assessing and rating of every Family, and to the Collection thereof by the Constable and Head-borough of every Parish, or Division therein. And for the encouragement of every High-Constable of the Hundred, as also of every Head-borough or Constable within any Citie or Towne Corporate and of every Head-borough or Petty-Constable, Tithingman, or Borholder, within any Parish or Division, to contribute his paines cheerfully to this worke, every High-Constable of every Hundred, and every Head-borough or Constable in any City or Towne corporate, shall have paid unto them, and every of them Two pence for every Twenty shillings, and so pro rato; which they or any of them, shall bring and pay in to the Sub-Commissioners of the Excise of the respective Counties and Precincts; and every Headborough or Petty-Constable, Tithingman and Borholder, two pence

Which the Sub-Commissioners upon Returne from the high Constables are to levy accordingly.

And in all Cities and Towns corporate, except the Office of London, the same Rule in all particulars is to be observed and executed.

The high-Constable, &c. to receive for his paines Two pence upon every Twenty shillings he payes to the Sub-Commissioner of Excise.

The Petty
Constable 2 d.
for every 20 s.
he shall pay in
to the High
Constable, &c.
And the Ju-
stice of Peace
his Clerk also
2 d. for every
20 s. collected
upon the Roll
by him en-
grossed.
Provided that
none taking
alms, pay any
Excise for
Beer or Ale by
themselves
brewed, so they
retail not the
the same.

pence for every twenty shillings, and so pro rato, which they or any of them shall bring, and pay into any high Constable; And the Clerks for making, Writing, and engrossing the Assessments to have two pence in every twenty shillings, which said two pence is to be distributed by the Justices of the Peace of that division: Provided alwayes, that no person taking Alms, or Collection shall be included within this Assessment, for any Ale or Beer, that is or shall be brewed in their own houses, and consumed by themselves and Families within their owne houses, but then such person is by no meanes to bee permitted to sell or retails any Ale or Beer, upon paine to lose his Almes, and to bee lyable to such Restrictions as are before provided for such as keepe any unlicensed Tipling-Houses.

No In-land
Commodity,
Excisable, to
be sold or re-
moved with-
out Ticket, ex-
cept Beer, Ale,
Lead or Tin,

upon forfeiture
of double the
value.

XXXVI. That no Persons (except Com-
mon Brewers, and Smelters of Lead, or Tin-
ners, or Blowers of Tinn, as is aforesaid)
who are the Velters, or the first Venders or
Disposers of any In-land Commodity or Manu-
facture lyable to pay Excise, shall sell and deliver,
convey, remove, or dispose of any their Commo-
dities or Manufactures, without Ticket from the
Office of Excise under which they are, upon
forfeiture of double the value of all such Com-
modities and Manufactures, and further Pro-
cesse against every such Offender, as afore-
said.

All Lead
and Tin to be
sealed before
removed.

XXXVII. That all Lead and Tinne be-
fore it bee removed by the Smelter from the
Smelting house, or the Tinner from the Blow-
ing house, shall, upon payment of the Excise,
be

be Sealed by an Officer of the Excise : Which said Seale the Commissioners of Excise for the time being, are hereby Authorized from time to time to appoint, or cause to be made, or altered, as they shall see cause : and what quantity soever of such Lead or Tinne, that hath not paid Excise, shall be found and discovered not to be sealed, as abovesaid, by such Officer, as abovesaid, All such Lead and Tinne shall be ipso facto forfeited, and presently put to sale, and the proceed thereof to be paid to the Commissioners of Excise, or their Officers, to the use of the Common-wealth.

Upon pain of
forfeiture.

XXXVIII. That the chiefe Commissioners, of the Excise, and their Sub-commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, shall have power and authority upon complaint, or just cause of suspicion, to call before them any Person or Persons Whom they shall thinke fit, to Informe and Testifie touching any the Premises, and to Examine any person (other then the party himsele) upon Oath, for the better Discovery of any fraud or guile, contrary to the true meaning of this ACT, or any thing therein contained; Which Oath the Commissioners, or their Sub-commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, shall hereby have power to Administer, and the testimony of one credible witnessse may be sufficient in that behalf. Provided, that such witnessses (if the partie accused desire it) shall testifie the same upon Oath, in the presence of the party accused, who shall have liberty to produce witnessse, and make his Defence to that Complaint. And in case any Person or Persons duely Warranted to give in Testimony, as aforesaid, shall wilfully neglect, or refuse to appeare, or else appearing shall refuse to take such

All persons but
the party him-
self are liable
to be summon-
ed for to give
testimony up-
on Oath.

And the party
accused is to be
heard.

And in case of
non-appea-
rance, or refu-
sal to give such
testimony, to
forfeit 5 l.

And if any person informed against, shall not appear, the Commissioners or Sub-Commissioners to proceed as if he were present.

Oath for discovery of his knowledge concerning the matter in question, such person, other then the party accused, shall for every time so offending, forfeit five pounds, to be levied by Distresse, and sale of his or their goods by the Commissioners, or their Sub-commissioners, as abovesaid: And if no distresse can be had, such persons shall and may be committed to prison by the Commissioners or Sub-commissioners, as abovesaid, until he or they submit unto such oath, and thereupon give testimony on the behalf of the Common-Wealth. And the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, shall have power to summon or call before them any person or persons whom they shall thinke fitting: and in case he or they doe wilfully neglect, or refuse to appeare, the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-commissioners, or the major part of them respectively, shall hereby be authorized to proceed to examination, and hearing of witnesse upon the Information, and to give Sentence, and issue out warrant of Distresse accordingly; or in defect thereof, to grant out warrant for such persons Imparsonment, as if he had been present, and defending himselfe against the said Information.

All breaches of this Act (not excepted) to be tried before the Commissioners of Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners.

X X X I X. That the Commissioners and the Sub-commissioners of Excise, or the major part of them in their respective Divisions, are hereby authorized and required to hear and determine all offences and breaches of any clause or Article in this Act mentioned, other then such as are otherwise by this Act appointed: Which said Commissioners, and Sub-commissioners are hereby authorized upon any notice, Complaint, or Information, to proceed to examination of the matter of Fact, and such

such breach or offence, being proved by the voluntary confession of the Party, or by the Oath of one or more credible witnesses, which Oath they, or any of them have hereby power to administer: the said Commissioners, or their Sub-Commissioners, or the major part of them, are hereby authorized to give Judgement and Sentence accordingly, as in, and by this Act is directed: And to issue Distresse under the hands of them, or the major part of them, for levying of any Forfeiture, Fine, or penalty inflicted or imposed by this Act, and to make sale of all goods so distrained (if they shall not be redeemed within foureteen days) Rendering to the offender the overplus, if there be any; and for want of sufficient Distresse, by Warrant under the hands of them, or the major part of them, to commit such offender to prison, who shall there remaine till hee be released by the said Commissioners, or their Sub-Commissioners, who committed such offender, or by sufficient warrant from the Committee of Parliament for Regulating the Excise, or such other persons as shall be thereunto appointed by Authority of Parliament; And all Gaolers, or keepers of any Prison are hereby Authorized and required to receive and keepe in safe Custody All such persons as by warrant of the Commissioners of the Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners, shall from time to time be committed unto their several Hayles, or Prisons, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their perils; for which Prisoners so committed, all Sheriffs respectively shall be responsible; And it is further provided, That if any Sheriffe, Gaoler, or other Officer shall refuse to receive such persons, or shall permit or suffer any person or persons to him or them committed as aforesaid, to escape out of his Custody, or permit

The confession of the party accused, or Oath of one witness, to be a sufficient proof.

Every Distress to be signed by the major part of them.

The Distress to be made sale of, if not redeemed in Fourteen days.

For want of Distress the party found guilty to be committed by warrant of the major part of them.

And not to be released but by their order or warrant from the Committee of Parliament.

All Jailors, &c. to receive such prisoners.

And the Sheriffs to be responsible for them. And if a prisoner escape.

— or be permitted to go forth without warrant. Sheriffe, Jaylor, &c. to forfeit double the value of the execution.

him or them to goe forth out of Prison, without Warrant or order in writing from him or them that committed such person; every Sheriffe, Gaoler, or other Officer, shall forfeit double the value of every summe of Money for which such person was, or shall be committed to him as abovesaid.

The chief Commissioners to punish their Officers by Fine, not exceeding two years wages.

XL. That the chief Commissioners, or the major part of them shall have power to punish all Officers, or other persons belonging to the said Offices, which shall be wilfully negligent, remisse, or refractory in the said service, by fine, not exceeding the double value of their yearely wages, the same to be levied, and employed in such manner as aforesaid.

Charges deducted, all Fines to be divided, one Moiety to the discoverer; and the other to the Treasurers for Widows and maimed Souldiers.

XLI. That of all Fines and Forfeitures mentioned in this Act, all necessary charges for recovery thereof being first deducted, the one moiety shall bee employed towards the maintenance of widows and Souldiers, and paid unto William Greenhill, John Pocock, John Randall, and Richard Hutchinson, or other Treasurers appointed, or to be appointed by Parliament for that purpose, or any two of them: And the other moiety to the Discoverers, or persons that shall give information of, and prove any breach of any Article in this Act; and the receipt of any two of the said Treasurers, and of the discoverer or discoverers shall bee the Commissioners of Excize their sufficient discharge for the payment of the said respective Moieties.

All Sheriffs, Justices of Peace, &c. to be aiding and assisting.

XLII. That in the due, vigorous, and effectual execution of this Act, if any Tumults, Riots, or other opposition shall be hereafter attempted, or

acted

acted against the Commissioners of the Excise, their Sub-commissioners, Collectors, Officers or others in their aide and assistance, All Sheriffs, Justices, of the Peace, Mayors, Bailiffs, Constables, Headboroughs, and all other Officers of the Common-Wealth in their severall Counties, Liberties and Jurisdictions being thereunto desired by any of the said Commissioners of Excise, or Sub-Commissioners, or other Officers of Excise are hereby strictly enjoyned to be aiding and assisting in the due execution of this Act, and all things therein contained, and in suppressing of all Tumults and Ryots, raised in opposition thereunto; and of punishing all such Offenders, according to Law, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their utmost perill; And the Generall of the whole forces of this Common-Wealth for the time being, is hereby desired to Order and enioyne all Colonels, Captains, Officers, and Souldiers under his command upon application made unto them, or any of them, speedily to suppress such Tumults, Ryots or unlawfull Assemblies, and to apprehend all such Ryoters and Tumultuous persons, that they may bee proceeded against according to Law,

In the execution of this Act, and suppressing all Tumults, &c.

And the Generall of the Parliaments Forces, to give order to all his Officers to be ayding in suppressing thereof.

XLIII. That all sales which shall be made by the Commissioners of the Excise, or their Sub-Commissioners respectively, of any goods seized or distrained in pursuance of this Act, shall bee good in law to all Person and Persons buying the same.

All sales of Seizures or distresses to be good in Law.

XLIV. That aswell the Commissioners of the Excise, their Sub-Commissioners and under Officers respectively, as all other persons whatsoever who shall

The clause of Indemnity for the—

Commissioners, Sub-Commissioners, and all Officers of the Excise, and their aiders.

By giving any Ordinance or Act for Excise, or this Act in evidence.

The Committee of Indemnity to relieve all persons in these cases.

How all Assignments shall be paid and registered.

shall be ayding and assisting to them, or any of them in the Execution of this Act, or any thing therein contained, shall be defended and saved harmless, and indemnified by authority of Parliament: And in case any Person or Persons whatsoever, shall be Sued, Indicted, Prosecuted, or Molested for any Act, or Acts, thing, or things, done in pursuance of any former Ordinance of Parliament touching Excise, or that shall be done in pursuance of this Act, in every such Action, Suit, Indictment, Information, or Prosecution wherein, or whereby they are, or shall be so Sued, Indicted, Prosecuted, or Molested, as aforesaid, it shall be lawfull to and for all such Persons, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, to plead the generall Issue, and to give any former Ordinance of Parliament, or this Act for Excise, in evidence in any the Courts of Justice of this Common-wealth, or other Courts, And the Judges of all the said Courts, and all Jurours are hereby strictly required and enjoyned to allow and admit of the same accordingly; And the Committee of Indemnity upon complaint made to them, shall give relief as in other the like cases they are directed and authorized.

X L V. That for the better continuance and advancing the credit of the Excise, and for the encouragement of such persons as shall lend any moneys upon the security of the same, All such persons as have already, or at any time hereafter shall have any Grant or appointment unto them of any summe or summes of Money to be received upon the Excise, And likewise all such person or persons as already have advanced and lent, or hereafter shall advance or lend any summe or summes of Money upon the Credit and Security of the said Excise, by ver-
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too of any Ordinance, or Act of Parliament passed, or to be passed for their payment, or reimbursement of the same, shall and have hereby granted unto them power and Authority, and are hereby accordingly authorized to assigne and transferr the said Monies unto them granted or appointed, or by them lent, or any part thereof with interest, where interest is already, or shall be granted unto any other person or persons whatsoever; And the Commissioners of the Excise for the time being, or such other persons as shall be employed by Authority of Parliament to mannage the receipts of the Excise, are hereby Authorized to make payment of the same accordingly; And the Auditor is hereby required and Authorized to allow the same upon Account. Provided, that such person or persons, at the time of such Assignment, or within twenty dayes after make entry of the said Assignment with the said Commissioners or other persons so to be employed for the time being, and with the Comptroller of the said Excise, who are hereby required and authorized to take notice of the same accordingly, Provided also, That nothing in this Act, or in this Article, shall be prejudiciall to the late Act of Parliament, or to the late Votes or Orders of Parliament, by which severall sums of Moneys formerly assigned upon the Receipts of the Excise are discharged from the said Receipts of Excise, or transmitted upon the sale of Deanes and Chapters lands, the Lands of the late King, or otherwise.

Provided that this clause shall not be prejudiciall to those Assignments which are discharged or transmitted upon the sales of Deans and Chapters lands.

XLVI. That no Governours or Commanders of any Towne, Castles, Forts or Armies under the service of the Parliament, or any other Officer, or Souldier shall seise upon any of the Receipts of the
Excise,

No Governor or Commander, Officer, or Souldier to seize any Receipts of Excise, &c.

Excise, or protect any person or persons from payment of the Excise, upon any occasion or pretext whatsoever: And if any Commander, Officer, or other Soldier shall forcibly take and detain any the Receipts of the Excise, or protect any person from paying thereof, or encourage any person not to pay the same, after due proof of any such offence before the Lord Generall or Councell of War, or such Person or Persons as the Lord General shall by his Commission under his hand and seale nominate and direct, every such Commander, Officer or Souldier shall be ipso facto cashiered, and all his Arrears forfeited to the Common-Wealth, and suffer such other punishment as the said Lord Generall, Councell of War, or other persons authorized as above said shall adiudge and think fitting.

Upon paine
to be ipso facto
cashiered, &
forfeit his
Arrears, and
be otherwise
punished.



F I N I S.



THE
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EXCISE
AND
New-Impost,

Set and Imposed by Parliament on the severall
Commodities Imported, hereafter mentioned,
to be paid and Collected from the
21. day of *December*, 1649.



Die Veneris, 21. Decembris. 1649.
Hen. Scobell, Cleric. Parliament.

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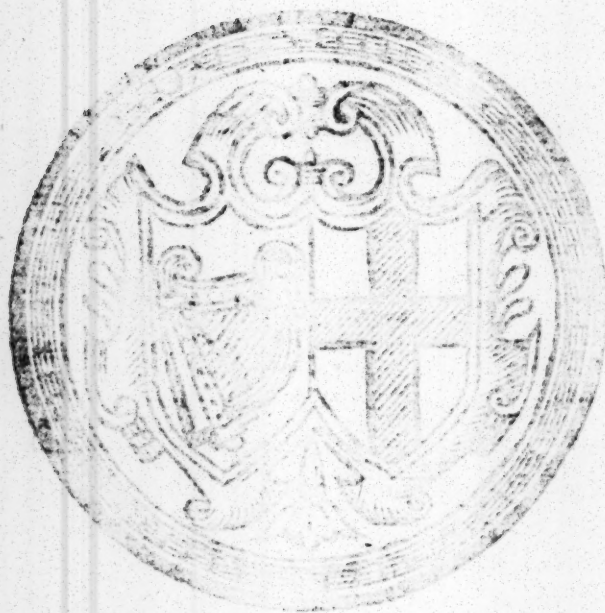
RATES

OF THE

EXCISE

New-Imports

Set and imposed by Parliament on the 22^d day of April 1704.
Of Goods Imported, Landed, or
To be and Collected from the
22^d day of April 1704.



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The Rates of the Excise and new-Im-
post set and imposed by Parliament on the
severall Commodities Imported, &c.

Die Veneris 21. Decembris, 1649.

**Resolved upon the question by the
Parliament.**



That all Tobacco which is not of En-
glish Plantations, as well already im-
ported having not paid Excise, as here-
after to be imported, shall pay *per* pound
weight two shillings Excise to be paid
by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or im-
porter.

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Tobacco not
English Plan-
tation.

Resolved, &c.

That all Tobacco of the English Plantations,
as well already imported not having paid Excise,
as hereafter to be Imported in English ships or ves-
sels, shall pay four pence a pound weight, to be paid
by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Im-
porter.

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Tobacco of
English Plan-
tation in Eng-
lish vessels.

Resolved, &c.

That all Tobacco of the English Plantations,
as well already imported which hath not paid Ex-
cise, as hereafter to be imported in foreign ships
or vessels, shall pay six pence *per* pound weight,
to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Mer-
chant or Importer.

00 : 00 : 04

Tobacco of
English plan-
tation in For-
raigne vessels.

Resolved, &c.Pepper immediately imported from *India*.

That all Pepper as well already imported into this Nation immediately from *India*, which hath not paid the Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported immediately from *India*, shall pay three pence in the pound weight for Excise, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

l. s. d.
00 : 00 : 03

Resolved, &c.Pepper not immediately imported from *India*.

That all Pepper as well already imported not immediately brought from *India* which hath not paid Excise, as that shall hereafter be imported being not immediately brought from *India*, shall pay foure pence *per* pound weight for excise, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

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Resolved, &c.

Refined Sugar in Loafe.

That all refined Sugars double or single in the Loafe, as well already imported, which hath not paid Excise, as which shall be hereafter imported, shall pay *per* pound weight six Pence, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

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Resolved, &c.

White Sugars of English Plantations.

That all white Sugars of the growth of English Plantations, as well which are already Imported not having paid the excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay a pound weight three pence, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

00 : 00 : 03

Ref-

Resolved, &c.

That all other Sugars under Whites from English Plantations, as well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay *per* pound weight two pence, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

l. s. d. Sugear under
white of English Planta-
tions.
00 : 00 : 02
per Cent

Resolved, &c.

That all White Sugars from other places, as well which are already Imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be Imported, shall pay *per* pound weight three pence halfe peny, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

White Sugars
of other plan-
tations.
00 : 00 : 03
per Cent

Resolved, &c.

That all other Sugars under Whites, as well *Muscovadoes* as others, which come from other places, as well already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay *per* pound weight two pence halfe peny, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

Sugars under
Whites as
Muscovadoes
and others.
00 : 00 : 02
per Cent

Resolved, &c.

That all *Candy* White Sugar, as well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay *per* pound weight for Excise eight pence, to be paid by the first buyer from the Merchant or Importer.

Candy White
Sugar.
00 : 10 : 08
per Cent

Resolved,

Resolved, &c.Candy brown
Sugar.

That all *Candy Brown Sugar*, as well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay *per pound* weight for Excise six pence to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or importer.

l. s. d.
00 : 00 : 06
per Cent

Resolved, &c.Grocery
wares.

That all other *Grocery-wares* not herein formerly mentioned, as Well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the Rate of five pounds *per cent* according to the values set upon them in the Booke of Rates of Merchandizes, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

05 : 00 : 00
per Cent

Resolved, &c.

Druggs.

That all *Drugs*, as well already imported not having paid the Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of five pounds *per cent*, according to the values set upon them in the said Booke of Rates, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

05 : 00 : 00
per Cent

Resolved, &c.Mercery Im-
ported.

That all *Mercery-wares*, as well which are already imported not having paid the Excise, as which shall hereafter be Imported shall pay after the rate of seven pounds ten shillings *per cent*, according to the values set upon them in the said book of Rates to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

07 : 10 : 00
per Cent

Resolved,

Resolved, &c.

That all Raw-Silk as well which are already imported not having paid the Excise as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the Rate of five pounds *per cent.* according to the values set upon them in the said Booke of Rates to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

l. s. d.

05 : 00 : 00 Raw-Silk.
*per cent.***Resolved, &c.**

That all Silkes in the Gums ready throwne, as well which are already Imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of seven pounds ten shillings *per cent* according to the values set upon them in the said Book of Rates; to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

07 : 10 : 00 Silks in Gum
ready thrown.
*per cent.***Resolved, &c.**

That all other Silks Dyed, as well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of seven pounds and ten shillings *per cent* according to the values set upon them in the said Book of Rates; to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

07 : 10 : 00 Silks dyed.
*per cent.***Resolved, &c.**

That all Saltry Wares as well which are already imported not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of seven pounds ten shillings *per cent* according to the Values set upon them in the said Booke of Rates, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

Saltry imported.

07 : 10 : 00
per cent.

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Resolved,

Resolved, &c.Linnen Im-
ported.

That all Linnen fine and course, as well already imported not having paid Excise as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of five pounds *per cent.* according to the values set upon them, in the said Booke of Rates, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

l. s. d.
50 : 00 : 00

Resolved, &c.Upholstery,
Habberdashery,
Sope, Paper,
Skins,
Leather,
Glasses, earthen
ware im-
ported.

That all Upholstery, Habberdashery, Sope, Paper, Skins, Leather, Glasses, and Earthen-ware, as well already imported, not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of five pounds *per Cent.* according to the values set upon them in the said Booke of Rates, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

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Resolved, &c.Spirits im-
ported, as
Brand-wine.

That all Spirits imported made of French Wines, called Brand-Wine, as well which are already Imported, not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be imported, shall pay after the rate of four pence *per* Gallon, to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer

00 : 00 : 04

Ref-

Resolved, &c.

That all Forraign Spirits, and domestick, fraudulently sold in stead of *Aqua vite* or strong water, shall pay one shilling *per* Gallon. —————

l. s. d.
00 : 01 : 00

Spirits sold
instead of
Strong water.

Resolved, &c.

That all Strong-water perfectly made, as well already Imported, not having paid Excise, as which shall hereafter be Imported, shall pay after the rate of one shilling *per* Gallon, to be paid by the first Buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer. —————

00 : 01 : 00

Strong-water
imported.

Resolved, &c.

That for every Tonne of Wines as well already Imported not having paid the Excise, as which hereafter shall be imported, shall be paid Five pounds for Excise, and so after that rate for a greater or lesser quantity; the same to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer. —————

05 : 00 : 00 Wines.

Resolved, &c.

That all Foraigne Salt as well already Imported, which hath not paid Excise, as which shall be hereafter Imported shall pay three halfe-pence upon every Gallon, to be paid by the first Buyer of such Salt. —————

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Salt imported.

Resolved, &c.

That all Salt made or to be made within *England*, *Wales*, or Towne of *Berwick* which is or shall be shipped or conveyed by water, shall pay one halfe-penny upon every Gallon, to be paid by the first buyer of such Salt, at the place of landing or unloading thereof. —————

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Salt English
water borne.

Resolved, &c.Salt native &
water borne.

That all other Salt made or to be made within
England, Wales, or Towne of Berwick, and not
shipped or conveyed by water, shall pay One
halfe-penny upon every Gallon, to be paid by
the first buyer of such Salt upon the first delivery
thereof

l. s. d.
00 : 00 : 00

Resolved, &c.Salt upon
Salt native.

That all Salt upon Salt that is made of Salt with-
in *England, Wales, or Towne of Berwick*, which
hath once paid Excise, shall pay One Farthing, upon
every Gallon, to be paid by the maker of such Salt
upon Salt before such time as the same shall be put
to sale

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Resolved, &c.Salt upon
Fishing free
of Excise.

That no Salt expended upon Fishing shall be ly-
able to this Excise

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Resolved, &c.All other
Goods in the
Booke of
Rates, except
Bullion, Corn,
Vittuall,
Arms, Am-
munition, and
Spanish
Wools.

That all other Goods and Merchandizes menti-
oned in the Book of Rates (except Bullion, Corn,
Vittuall, Arms, Ammunition and Spanish Wools)
as well which are already Imported, not having paid
Excise, as which shall hereafter be Imported, which
are not by any of the Votes above said to be chargea-
ble with the Excise, other then such Goods and
Merchandizes, as shall hereafter by Parliament be
charged with Excise shall pay after the rate of Five
pounds *per Cent*. to be paid by the first Buyer thereof
from the Merchant or Importer.

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per Cent

Resolved,

Resolved, &c.

That all other Goods and Merchandizes to bee Imported, upon which no values are set in the Book of Rates, shall pay five pounds *per cent*. to be paid by the first buyer thereof from the Merchant or Importer.

l. s. d.
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Goods im-
ported not
valued in the
Booke of
Rates.

Resolved, &c.

That the Commissioners of Excise, and their Sub-Commissioners, and Officers shall Collect, Receive and take the Excise and Impost set and rated upon the Goods and Merchandizes above mentioned, and no other Excise or Impost upon the said Goods and Merchandizes.

Commis-
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no other
Rates of Ex-
cise.

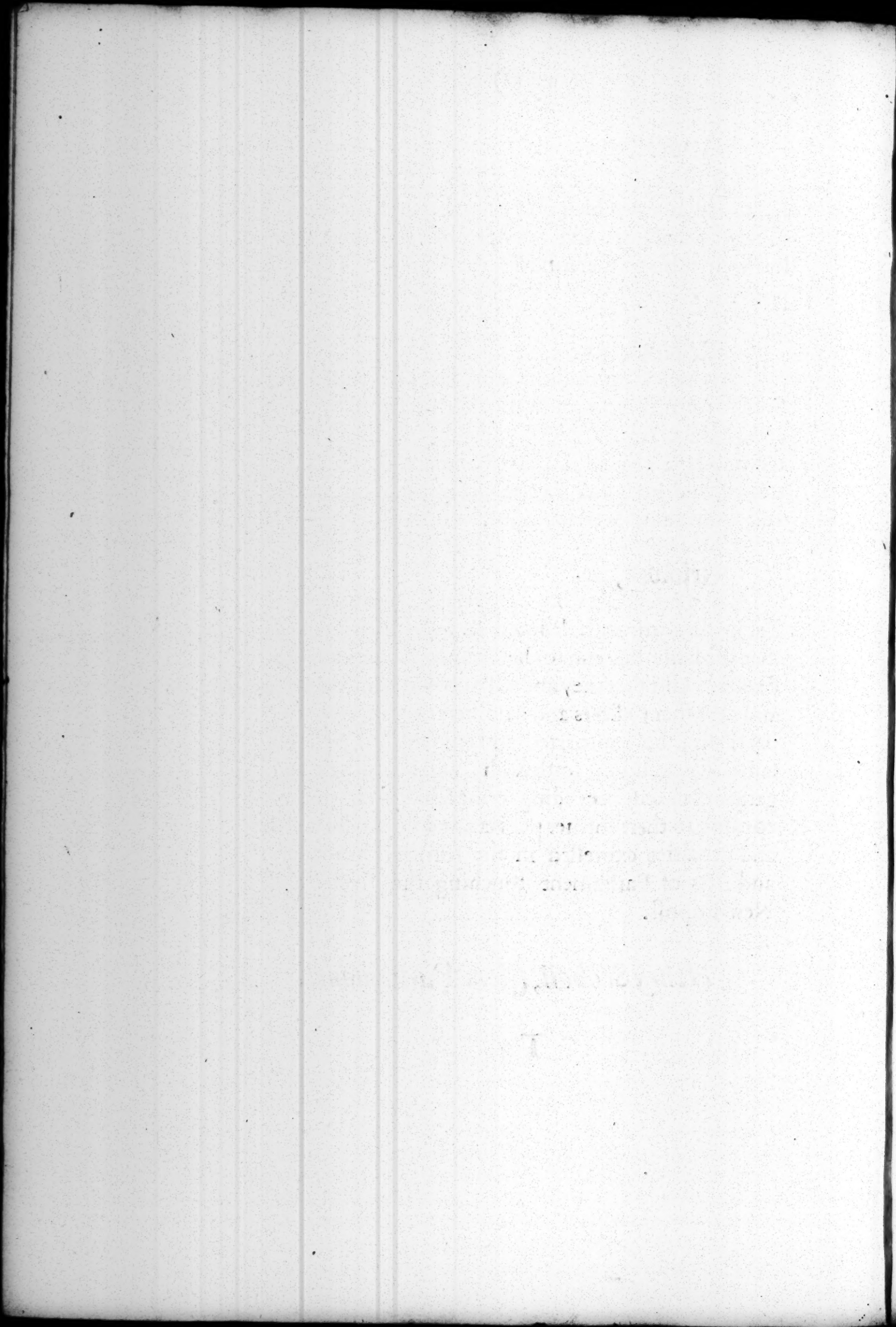
Resolved, &c.

That the severall Votes abovesaid, touching the Excise be forthwith Printed and Published, and that the same be sent to the Commissioners for the Excise: And that they and all Sub-Commissioners, and all other Officers and Ministers of the Excise under them, be authorized and enjoyned to put the same in execution forthwith, and to collect and gather the excise according to the said Votes, and according to their former powers, and under the pains and penalties expressed in the former Ordinances and Acts of Parliament touching the Excise and New-Impost.

Their Votes
to be printed
& published.

And their
Rates of Ex-
cise to be
Collected.

Henry Scobell, Cler. Parliamenti.



Die Martis, 23 Octobris, 1649.

ORdered by the Parliament. That all and every the Sub Commissioners and Collectors of Excise, and all other Officers and Ministers of the Excise, in the respective Cities, Towns, Places, and Counties within this Common-Wealth, be enjoyned and required to give unto all and every Person and Persons that shall pay unto them or any of them any money for Excise, or any Fines or Penalties thereupon a receipt for the severall sums that shall be so received, expressing the names of the Persons by whom the same is paid, for what time, and for what the same is paid, without demanding or receiving any thing for such receipt.

Sub-Commissioners and Collectors to give receipts.

ORdered by the Parliament, That this Order be forthwith Printed and Published.

• *Henry Scobell, Cler. Parliament,*

Die Mercurij, 12. Decembr. 1649.

Resolved,

That the Commissioners of Excise (now in being) be continued in their respective places and powers, untill the House take further order.

Commissioners continue till further Order.

Hen. Scobell. Cler. Parliament.

Die Sabbathi 26. Januarij, 1649.

Rates of the
21. of Decem.
1649. (except
for Salt) sus-
pended till
further order.

Resolved by the Parliament, That the severall Resolutions of this House ordered to bee printed and published, the 21. of December, 1649. touching Rates of the Excise and New-Impost set and imposed by Parliament, on the severall Commodities imported (excepting onely the four Resolutions touching the Excise of Salt) shall be and are suspended untill the House take further order: And the Commissioners of Excise and their Officers, are hereby impowered and required to collect and raise the Excise upon the Rates formerly set, according to the powers formerly given unto them

Henry Scobell, Cler. Parliament.



F I N I S.





AN ACT

TOUCHING

The way of Collecting the EXCISE for
ALE and BEER

Brewed and Spent in private Families.



The Parliament now assembled taking into their consideration the Thirty fifth Article in the late Act, Intituled, An Act for the speedy Raising and Levying of Moneys by way of New-Impost or Excise, for the Assessing and Collecting the Excise of Ale and Beer brewed and spent in private families; and that the Common Wealth hath

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not received that Benefit and Fruit by the same, as was Expected and Intended : Doe therefore now Enact and Ordain, And be it by Authority of Parliament Enacted and Ordained, That the said Thirty fifth Article in the said late Act, and the several Clauses mentioned in the said 35. Article, for the Assessing and Collecting the Excise of Ale and Beer brewed and spent in Private Families, in such manner as in and by the said Thirty fifth Article in the said Act is directed, is hereby Repealed and made Void, to all Intents and Purposes. And be it further Enacted and Ordained by Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-commissioners, Collectors and Officers, shall and may from henceforth observe, and perform and keep such Rules, Orders and Directions for the Collecting and gathering the Excise of Ale and Beer, as is or shall be to them given by Order, Ordinance, or Act of Parliament, or that shall be given unto them in writing, under the Hands of Five or more of such Committee, as by the Parliament shall be thereunto appointed; and the said Committee are hereby Authorized and Required to give such Rules, Orders and Directions for the Collecting the Excise of Ale and Beer, as to them shall seem Just and Reasonable, for the most easie and most effectuall Collection and Gathering the Excise of Ale and Beer, so as the same exceed not, alter or diminish the Proportions and Rates assessed and set by Orders and Acts of Parliament. And be it further by the Authority aforesaid Enacted, That the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, Collectors and Officers, or any Two or more of them, shall have Power, and are hereby Authorized to enquire by Oath to be administred to all persons, (other then the parties themselves) what quantity of Malt is or shall be wet and Brewed by any person or persons
 what

Whatsoever, that doth or shall Brew any Ale or Beer. Provided, That no person or persons that shall be so examined, shall be compelled to travele above Two miles from the place of his dwelling; and that such Oath to be so given, shall be so given without Fee.

Die Iovis, 28 Martii, 1650.

Ordered by the Parliament, That this Act be forthwith Printed and Published.

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.



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By the Committee for Regulating the Excise.

Rules, Orders, and Directions, for the gathering and Collecting the Excise of Ale and Beer, made the 30th day of April, 1650. By the Committee aforesaid, in pursuance of the Powers given to the said Committee by vertue of an Act of Parliament passed the 28. of March, 1650.

I. **T**hat the Commissioners of Excise and their Sub-Commissioners and under-Officers in their respective Limits and Jurisdictions, Doe put in execution the Act lately made and passed (*Intituled, An Act for the speedy raising and levying of Moneys by way of New-Impost, or Excise*) for concerning and touching Common Brewers, Inne-keepers, Victuallers, Vintners, and Alehouse-keepers: And doe observe and execute all the Powers, Directions and Orders therein concerning the said Brewers, Inne-keepers, Victuallers, Vintners, and Alehouse-keepers. And that the Justices of the Peace, within their respective Counties and Divisions (upon request to them made) be desired to punish the offences mentioned in the said Act, upon the Brewers, Inne-keepers, Victuallers, Vintners, and Alehouse-keepers therein named, according as by the said Act they are directed and enjoyned.

2. That the said Commissioners of Excise, their Sub-Commissioners, Collectors, and under-Officers, within their respective Precincts, and Jurisdictions, Doe once in every yeare, repair to every Towne, Village, Hamlet and Parish, within their Limits respectively, and doe thereby and with the aid and assistance of the respective Constables, Headborroughs, Borsholders, or other Officers within the said Towns, Villages, Hamlets,

and Parishes (who are hereby required to afford them all aid and assistance in the same) take and make in writing a due and true List or Roll of the number of the several Families in each Town, Village, Hamlet, and Parish respectively who brew their own Beer and Ale, and doe not sell or retail the same (except of all persons taking Almes, and others exempted by Parliament from payment of the Excise) and doe in the said List or Roll, particularly set down the Names and Sir-names of the Masters, or Mistresses, or House-keepers of each Family, their qualities and conditions, and the number of persons in each Family residing and being, respectively.

3. That the said Commissioners, Sub-commissioners, and Officers of Excise in their respective Jurisdictions, shall and may Compound and agree with all, or any of the said Masters or Mistresses, or House-keepers of the said Families, respectively, (Except before excepted) at a certaine sum of money for one whole year, to be paid by equall quarterly portions, three weeks before the end and expiration of the respective Quarter dayes, at such place or places as by the said Commissioners, Sub-Commissioners, and Officers of Excise respectively; and the said House-keepers shall be by consent agreed upon and appointed for the Excise of the Beer and Ale by them respectively brewed and spent in their said respective Families during the said year, (respect being had in making the said Composition unto the number of persons in each Family, the Quality and Quantity of Ale and Beer by them brewed and spent, the Quantity of Malt by them Wet and brewed, and the rates and proportions of Excise set and imposed upon Ale and Beer by authority of Parliament) And the respective Sub-Commissioners shall return a true Coppy under their Hands and Seals unto the Head-Comptroller of Excise at London, for the time being, of the Names and Sir-names of the said Masters, or Mistresses, or House-keepers of the respective Families aforesaid, their Qualities and Conditions, the number of persons in each Family, and the sum of Money at, and for which

which the Composition was made and agreed ; And shall also leave another Duplicate thereof, under their Hands and Seales respectively, with the High-Constable of the severall Hundreds, Weapontakes or Divisions respectively, and with the respective Majors and chief Officers of the respective Cities or Towns Corporate, to be perused by all that desire the same; And that the said Commissioners, Sub-commissioners, and Officers aforesaid, shall and may collect, and gather the said Composition of Excise according to such agreement so made or to be made, by all such lawfull wayes and meanes, and under such penalties for non-payment thereof, as by the severall Acts and Ordinances of Parliament is provided, in case of non-Entry.

4. That if any person or persons, being a private House-keeper, (Except before excepted) that doth brew his own Beer and Ale, and doth not sell or retail the same, shall refuse to make Composition as aforesaid, or shall not offer so much as shall be equivalent to their expences and Consumption of Beer and Ale, according to the proportions aforesaid, in the judgement of the Commissioners, Sub-Commissioners, and Officers of Excise respectively, That then the said respective Commissioners, Sub-Commissioners, and Officers of Excise in their respective Limits and Jurisdictions, shall have power, and are hereby required to make an Estimate, what sum of money is fit to be paid by every such person or persons respectively, for one whole yeare for his or their Excise, for Beer and Ale brewed and consumed in their respective Families (respect being had in making such Estimate) to the number of persons in each Family, the qualily and quantity of Beer and Ale brewed and spent, the Malt wet and brewed, and the rates and proportions of Excise as aforesaid. And the said respective Sub-Commissioners, are to returne the true Coppy under their Hands and Seales unto the Comptroller of Excise aforesaid, of the Names and Sir-names of the Masters or Mistresses, or House-keepers of the said respective Families as aforesaid, their Qualities and Conditions, the number of persons

persons in each Family, and the sum of money set and estimated as aforesaid: And that the said respective Sub-Commissioners shall leave at the House of every such person and persons a Note in writing of the said sum of Money, so by the said respective Sub-Commissioners estimated and held fit by such person and persons, to be paid Quarterly as aforesaid.

5. That if any person or persons being a private House-keeper, who breweth his own Beer or Ale, and doth not sell or retail the same (except as aforesaid,) shall refuse to make Composition as aforesaid, or refuse to submit to the said Estimate as aforesaid; that then every such person and persons shall make due Entry, and pay the Excise of the Beer and Ale by them brewed and spent in their respective Families, according to the directions and under the penalties appointed by Ordinance or Act of Parliament for non-Entry.

6. That all Sub-Commissioners and Officers of Excise doe give a Receipt in writing of all the moneys, that is by them received for Excise, fine or forfeiture, without taking any thing for the same Receipt.

7. That the said Sub-Commissioners respectively do set down in writing all fines and penalties by them received, and the Names and places of abode of the persons of whom the same was received and levied, and for what offence; And do deliver Quarterly a Duplicate thereof signed with their Hands to the Comptroller Generall aforesaid, and leave another Duplicate thereof, with the chief Constable of every Hundred or Division.

*Miles Corbet
Edward Aysely
Luke Hodges
Nath. Hallowes*

*George Thomson
Gregory Clements
Rich. Darley*

*Gr. Sydenham
Edm. Harvy*



Die Martis, 20 August. 1650.

An Act for continuance of the Receipts of
Excise untill 29 Septemb. 1653.



Whereas the Parliament of England have thought fit to continue the severall Rates and Charges of Excise or New-Impost already settled and established by Authority of Parliament, for satisfaction of the Publike Debts of this Nation, and carrying on the weighty affaires of this Commonwealth, Be it Enacted by this present Parliament, and by the Authority of the same, That all and every the Acts and Ordinances of Parliament touching the Excise or New-Impost, and every Clause, Sentence, Article, and other thing and things in them and every of them contained and expressed, and which now are in force as well for the governing and ordering of the Excise, as for the settling, laying, and Imposing severall Rates and charges upon sundry and divers commodities, shall be, and hereby are continued, prolonged, and to be received in and throughout England and Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, untill the 29th. day of September, One thousand Six hundred fifty and three, To be managed by the Commissioners for the Excise for the time being.

Hen. Scobell, Cler. Parliament.

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AN ACT
Appointing
COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE
EXCIZE.



Whereas by sundry Acts, Ordinances and Orders of Parliament, severall Rates and Charges by Way of New-Impost, or Excize, for discharging of publique Debts, and defraying of the Charge of the Commonwealth, have been and are imposed upon divers,
£ 2 Commodities

Commissioners constituted.

By themselves their Sub-Commissioners to collect and receive the Excise from the 29 September, 1650.

In such sort as it hath formerly been, or ought to have been collected.

Commodities, Merchandizes and Manufactures imported, made or growing, or put to sale or consumed within England and Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, as in the said Acts, Ordinances and Orders of Parliament is expressed, and doth more largely appear: The Parliament have thought fit to Enact and Ordain, and be it Enacted and Ordained by this present Parliament, and by the Authority thereof, That from and after the Nine and twentieth day of September, One thousand six hundred and fifty, George Snelling Esq; Thomas Bulstrode Esq; Thomas Foot Alderman of the City of London, William Parker Doctor of Physick, Maurice Thompson, and Richard Downs, Esqs, and no others, are and shall be, and are hereby declared, constituted, and appointed Commissioners and Governours of the Excise or New Impost, and are hereby authorized and required, by themselves or their Sub-Commissioners, Deputies, and other Officers to be by them authorized and appointed under their Hands and Seales, to collect and receive all such Sum and Sums of Money which shall at any time hereafter, from and after the said Nine and twentieth day of September, One thousand six hundred and fifty, become due and payable for the Excise of any Goods, Wares, Merchandizes and Manufactures, imported, or made, or growing, or put to sale, or consumed within England and Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, in such sort as the said Duties have been, or ought to have been collected by vertue of any Act, Ordinance, or Order of Parliament, or any other Instructions from the Parliament, or by Authority of Parliament, which are now in force. And it is hereby Enacted and Declared, That the said George Snelling, Thomas Bulstrode, Thomas Foot, William Parker, Maurice Thompson and Richard Downs, shall have the same Power and Authority to doe all and every Act

Act and Acts, thing and things that John Towse Esq; deceased, John Langham, Thomas Foot, John Kendrick, Thomas Cullum, Esqs; Aldermen of London, Simon Edmonds, John Lamor and Edward Claxton, Citizens of London, or any of them, by vertue of any Acts, Ordinances or Orders of Parliament or otherwise, might or could lawfully doe.

The said Commissioners to have the same power as the former Commissioners have had.

And it is further Enacted and Declared, That the said Commissioners of Excise appointed by this Act, shall have power to let out, and to Farm the Excise or New-Impost of all Commodities, or any part thereof charged to pay Excise by Authority of Parliament within this Common-Wealth, according to such rules and Instructions as the Parliament, or Committee of Parliament appointed for Regulating of Excise, shall from time to time give unto them: And the said Committee are hereby impowred to give Rules and Instructions accordingly.

And power to let out, and to Farm the Excise or any part thereof.

According to the Instructions of the Parliament or Committee.

And be it further Enacted and Ordained, That the said Commissioners shall have and take to themselves for their care and paines, Three pence in the pound for all and every such Sum and Sums of Money respectively as shall be raised, collected and gathered for Excise or New-Impost, and for all such Fines, Forfeitures and Amerciaments, which shall be imposed, assessed and Collected to the use of the State, for or by reason of the same.

And to receive 3d. per pound of all moneys raised and collected, for their care and paines.

And be it further Enacted and Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, That all Sub-Commissioners, and other Officers and persons now employed in the Service of the Excise, under the late Commissioners for the Excise, shall remaine and continue in their respective Employments, until such time as the Commissioners herein named shall by and with the consent and approbation

The Sub-Commissioners and other Officers employed under the late Commissioners to continue, untill the present Commissioners with approbation of the Committee shall otherwise order and appoint.

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of the Committee for Regulating the Excise,
otherwise Order and Appoint, Any thing in
this A C T contained to the contrary notwith-
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ORdered by the Parliament, That the Act
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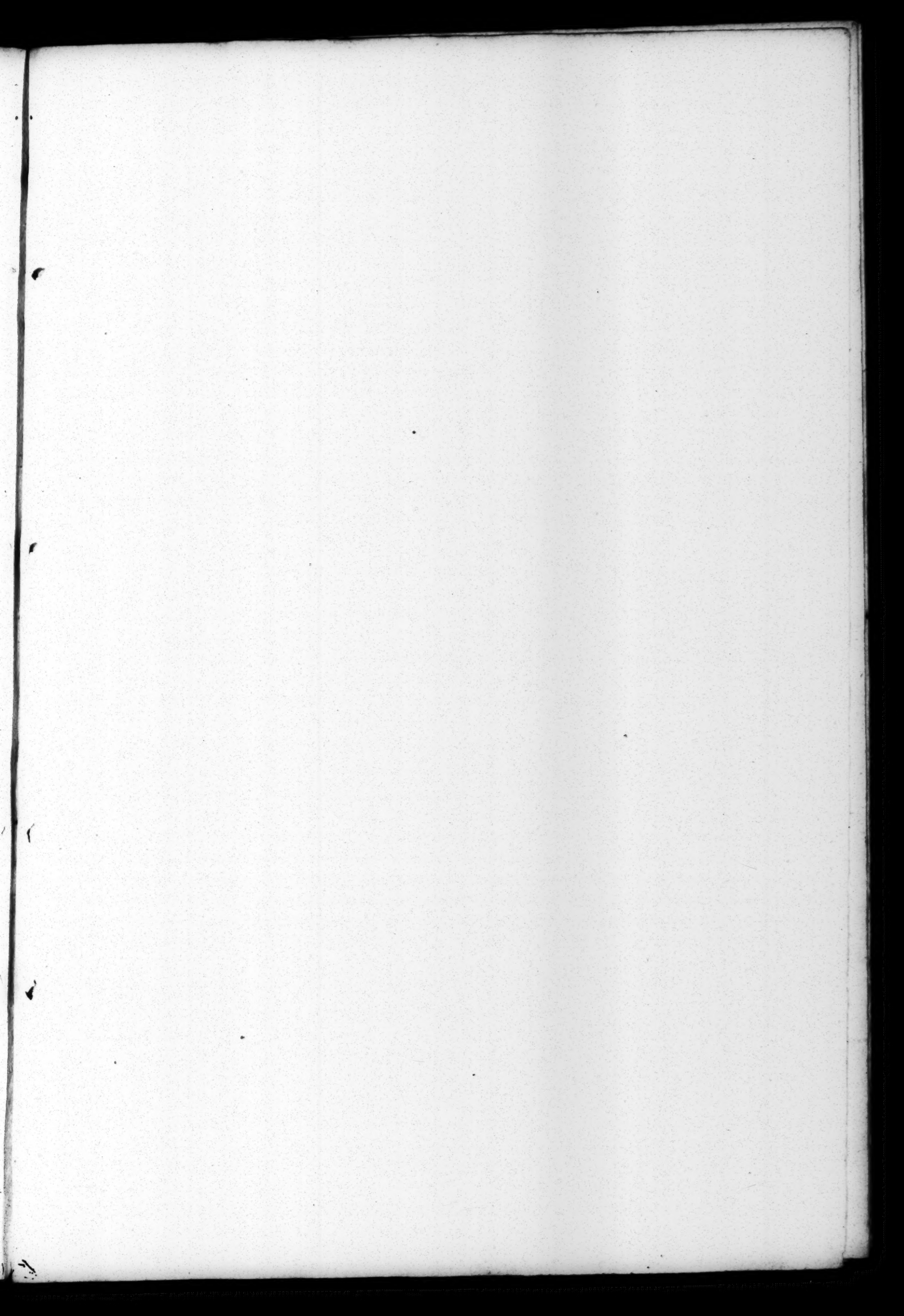
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